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Thursday September 21

AIESEC Career Seminars- 10:30 am H-110. Info 848-7435 (Martina or Joanne)
Student Services Festival on Hall Bldg. mezzanine. 10am - 4pm
Concordia Central American Committee recruitment meeting, 3:30pm, P annex 203, 2020 Mackay. Info: 848-7410
Some parallelism between Hinduism and Christianity: Arvind Sharma at Lonergan College. 4-5:30 pm, 7302 Sherbrooke W. 848-2280
Evergon lecture: 16h00, Concordia Art Gallery.
Barry Kennedy at Loyola Campus Centre, 4 pm, FREE

Friday September 22

Poverty & Rights: all-candidates meeting 10am - 1 pm, YWCA, 1355 Rene-Levesque Blvd W. Greens, PQ, Equality & NDP will be there. Everyone welcome. info: Diana Pizzuti 866-9941, ext 227.
John Humphrey, who helped draft The Universal declaration of Human Rights, speaks 13h30-14h30, Hall- 110. Sponsored by Concordia chapter of Amnesty International. Info: 848-7474.
Barry Kennedy at Reggies, 7th floor Hall Bldg, 4 pm, FREE
Link staff meeting: 4:30 pm, Hall 649. Come find out about the upcoming Canadian University Press Quebec regional conference, and the Lacolle staff retreat.

Saturday September 23

Womens Soccer- against Sherbrooke, 13h00, Loyola field.
Guided tour of Evergon exhibit, in FRENCH, 14h00, Concordia Art Gallery

Sunday September 24

Mens Soccer- against UQTR, 13h00, Loyola.

Monday September 25

FREE ADMISSION: Hamlet, (1964, dir. by Kozintsev) in Russian with Eng. subtitles, 7pm, FC Smith auditorium, Loyola

Tuesday September 26

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AIESEC CAREER Days, 9-5, Hall Building Mezzanine. 848-7435 (Martina or Joanne)
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Prison Visits Orientation meeting: 2 pm, SGW annex Z, 2090 Mackay, Campus Ministry, info Peter 848-3586, Matti 848-3590. The Program runs from Oct 3 - Nov 21, Tuesdays 2-4pm.
FREE FILMS: Documentary on William S. Hart, 7pm, then Rio Bravo (1959) at 7:30pm, with John Wayne & Dean Martin, dir. Howard Hawks. F.C.Smith auditorium, Loyola. Part of Loyola Film Series

Thursday September 28

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Friday September 29

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Charles Bradley, D.V.M.

Women take to the streets

by Minty Fownes

It was very noisy, very fun, very warm, very — well you might just say it was "very".

Friday's Take Back the Night March was noticeably more of everything than in recent years.

Candles in hand and arms linked, 400 women marched down St. Denis St. from Lafontaine Park down to Viger St., demanding the right to live free of fear and violence.

Opinion on the reason for the success ranges from the full moon and warm weather to the June pro-choice march in support of Chantal Daigle which drew 10,000.

"I think the abortion march helped with getting different groups together - because it was a coalition - so a community got together and more people got interested in women's issues again," said Concordia student Veronica Johnson.

This year's annual march was Montreal's ninth. First organized in San Francisco 11 years ago to demand the right for women to walk through the streets at night without fear of harassment or violence, the event has since spread across North America.

"It's something every woman can identify with," said McGill student Stephanie Lachowicz. "Even some of my friends who usually aren't active in 'feminist' causes came tonight."

Walking by the crowded cafes of St. Denis, the women chanted "No Means No/Yes Means Yes/ Wherever We Go/However We Dress" and "La rue, la nuit, les femmes sans peur."

"I wonder if the people who came out of the cafes and stared at us understood what the march was for or if they thought we were some radical chicks," said Lachowicz. "We got some cheers though."

Men are traditionally asked to walk either on the sidewalks or at end of the march.

An announcement at the beginning of the march by Tara Atkin, a teacher at the the Montreal Assault Prevention Centre, which organised the event, pointed out that the practice symbolizes the possibility of women being able to walk the streets alone at night without the protection of men.

She also pointed out that this year's march was dedicated to women becoming safer at home and at work.

"There were quite a few men at the march this year," commented Janet Weigand, a co-ordinator at the Face à Face health clinic.

"It is too bad that there are still misconceptions around this issue," she said.

Two women from New York City noted that the march was bigger here than what they have experienced in New York in the past few years.

One of the women, Kathy Danger, said "it would have been better had there been less cops, they were leading the march — we should have taken over the march, been more radical."

She should have been at the dance that followed.

photo by Janet de Paiva

500 women marched down Saint-Denis Friday night demanding to live without fear or violence

Alliance calls for ballot-burning

by Doug Crosbie

English-speaking Quebecers should spoil their ballots when they go to the polls next week instead of supporting the Liberals

That's what Peter Blaikie, chairman of Alliance Quebec, told a crowd of about two hundred on Monday night at the Delta Hotel on President Kennedy ave. "The ballot box doesn't have a sense of smell, so it can't tell if you're holding your nose when you vote Liberal," said the 52 year-old lawyer. "It also can't tell if you're voting out of fear of the PQ"

In an impassioned one hour address, he urged the English community to support Alliance Quebec by snubbing Bourassa's Liberals on election day.

Alliance Quebec is a privately funded lobby group, with 40,000 members, formed in 1982 to act on behalf of Quebec's English minority . Through lobbying efforts and legal battles, the Alliance tries to ensure access to English-language education, health and social services.

Blaikie cautioned that the decision to spoil one's ballot should only be a last resort. "If you feel you can't fully support any candidate, then there is no other choice," he said. "Staying at home on election day is not an option, you must register a protest."

He listed a series of injustices which he said anglophones should protest, including the Meech Lake Accord, and bill 178, introduced last December after the Supreme Court struck down two sections of bill 101.

Audience members applauded loudly when he told them Meech Lake is bad for Canada and bad for Quebec. He said the Accord, and the Liberal's support for it contradict the notion of an open, pluralistic society.

"The bottom line is that neither the PQ nor the Liberals represent our vision of an open society," Blaikie said.

His anti-Liberal tirade was interrupted briefly when the subject of bill 142 was raised. The Liberal legislation, not yet in full effect, guarantees access to English-language health services.

"Bill 142 is a positive piece of legislation but the government has gone a hell of a long way on the back of bill 142, and it's really only a first step," he said.

In a question period, several Equality Party candidates in the audience tried to link their party with Alliance Quebec. They claimed both groups stand for the individual rights of Quebecers.

But Blaikie was quick to dismiss this association, saying the Equality Party is only one of several options for the voter.

Rather than endorsing the Equality Party, he called on anglophones to consider all their candidates carefully before making a decision.

For Blaikie, the important issues are clear. "I see this election in black and white terms," he said. "It's simply a choice between surrendering our rights or fighting like hell to keep them."

Con U defies voting law

by Mike Orsini

Concordia may be breaking a provincial law by not allowing students time to vote in Monday's election.

The university decided yesterday to hold regular classes for students on Sept. 25 although faculty and staff will be allowed to leave four hours before poll closing time.

But an official with the Commission de la Representation Electorale said Concordia is bound by Section 306 of the Election Act.

"They are supposed to be closed," said Lise Dallaire. "This is what the law says."

The law states that "every educational institution on polling day grant leave to those pupils and students who are electors." Dallaire said the French version of the law replaces the word "leave" with congé (holiday).

Shirley Maynes, assistant to the services vice-rector, said the university has never been closed on election day because it was believed students had time to vote.

"If you're a student, there's usually some time frame in your day when you can go out to vote," Maynes said.

Maynes said the cancellation of classes would disrupt the university.

"Our nightmare is closing down the university for whatever reason," she said. "Can you imagine trying to reschedule an entire day of classes?"

McGill University has cancelled all classes after 4:00 pm to allow students to cast their votes.

Students fight hike

MONCTON (PEQ/CUP) — About 800 students at the Centre Universitaire de Moncton, in New Brunswick, showed up last spring to protest a move to raise tuition fees.

The university waited until May, when most students had left, to raise tuition five per cent from $1600 to $1675 for this year.

Students leaders say the increase is particularly unfair because the university's operating grant went up about seven per cent.

Tuition has more than doubled from $750 in 1980 to $1675 this year.

In 1979 and 1982, Moncton students organized a two-day strike and a one week occupation to protest tuition hikes. The administration responded by calling the police and expelling 12 students for organizing the occupation.

The Centre Universitaire de Moncton is the largest university serving the Acadian population. Its 3,000 students pay among Canada's highest tuition fees.

New Brunswick students also suffer from the province's particularly stingy financial aid program.

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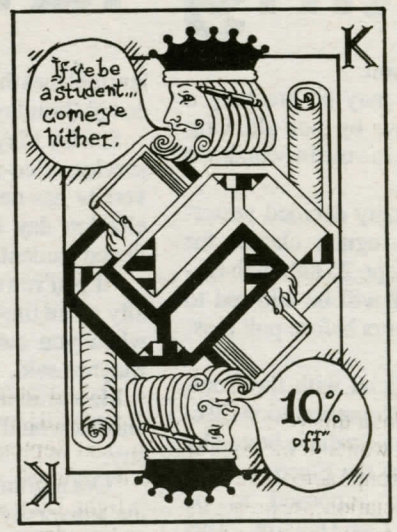

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Editorial

Education Bou-bous

After five weeks of campaigning, politicians finally started talking education last week. But it won't be surprising if many students are left scratching their heads when they enter the ballot booths to make their mark in the provincial election on Monday.

The choices aren't great.

Whenever politicians and student leaders discuss education and Quebec's chronic university underfunding problems, the issue is usually lost in staggering numbers. As students decide how to vote, we should consider what both major parties have done while in power over the past 15 years.

With the Liberals on the verge of another victory and the prospect of a tuition increase looming, Quebec's 230,000 university students should also be thinking about what will happen after the votes are tallied Monday night.

Education has taken a back seat during most of the campaign, with politicians and the media concentrating on the economy, the environment and the public sector showdown. Although students tried to make education an election issue, both major parties did their best to avoid it.

The question of whether Quebec should increase tuition fees figured prominently in the 1985 provincial election, but was largely ignored by both major parties this time around. Until last Wednesday. That's when it finally made the front pages after Parti Quebecois leader Jacques Parizeau declared himself in favour of the freeze.

He promised to increase loans and bursaries and to pump more money into university budgets. He said a PQ government would pay for its promises through a one per cent research and development tax on business.

Parizeau's promises might look appealing but we should remember that the slashing of university budgets began under a PQ government. And, although Parizeau promised to increase bursaries, it was his party that began favouring loans over bursaries.

However, the PQ should be applauded for the plan to force business to start paying more of the cost of education.

Quebec's business elite, suddenly realizing that crumbling universities means poorer quality graduates have begun a campaign asking the government to increase university funding. They also want students to pay more of the cost of their education. They have, of course, shied away from offering more of their dollars to the education system. The PQ plan would force them to put their money where their mouths are.

Last week we also found out that the Liberal party intends to increase tuition quickly if they win another mandate. The Laurier MNA, Christos Sirros, told a Concordia audience that the only way to save Quebec's universities is to get students to pay a larger share of the cost.

Education Minister Claude Ryan is known to be itching to increase tuition to the Canadian average, about $1500. He says an increase would be gradual and would not affect many students because loans and bursaries will also be upped. But student leaders say after the freeze is lifted, fees could easily increase dramatically.

Government and business say an increase in fees would mean better universities and would not severely affect accessibility. But it's not that simple.

Tuition fees make up only about 10 per cent of university budgets. If tuition fees rise, not much of that small amount will see its way into university budgets.

The only effect would be on students, who would be forced to drop out or to switch to part-time studies. Those who stay in university will leave heavily indebted. Already the average student getting loans and bursaries for three years will be $40,000 in debt by the time she graduates. Quebec, which has Canada's second highest poverty level, should be looking to make it easier for students to get into university.

If Bourassa is re-elected, students should prepare for a showdown later this year. The government will have to move quickly if it wants to increase fees by next September.

Student groups across the province, including Concordia's student association, are preparing for a fight. Demonstrations and public meetings are planned and students are being mobilized against a fee hike. We will be fighting for increased accessibility to universities — through a continued freeze and increased bursaries.

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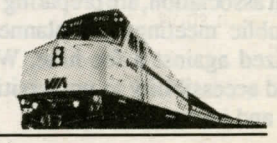

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Liberals may raise tuition fees if they win

Fighting for the freeze

During a campaign stop at Laval University, Parti Quebecois leader Jacques Parizeau stands before a group of 500 students and tells them what they want to hear. He vows to maintain the province's tuition fee freeze if he is elected Quebec's next premier on Sept. 25.

Students had heard the same promise four years earlier from another politician desperately wooing young Quebec voters. During the 1985 campaign, Robert Bourassa made the same pledge.

Bourassa easily won that election and was forced to keep his tuition promise. But during the current campaign, Bourassa, leading comfortably in public opinion polls, has made no such commitment. In fact, he is expected to quickly hike tuition should he win a second mandate.

by Andy Riga

With an end to Quebec's 20-year-old tuition freeze expected as early as 1990-91, student leaders across the province are preparing for a showdown this fall. They are ready for a fight to keep tuition fees in Quebec — frozen at about $550 since 1969 — the lowest in Canada.

According to Quebec's largest student federation, l'Association Nationale des Etudiantes et Etudiants du Québec (ANEEQ), a tuition increase would be devastating to the province's university students. It argues that thousands would be forced to drop out and others would graduate heavily indebted.

The Liberals' plan to raise tuition is a quick-fix solution that won't solve the chronic underfunding problem of Quebec's universities, according to Jeff Begley, ANEEQ's external coordinator.

"The gradual increase they are talking about would not really make any difference in class size and libraries," says Begley. "The only difference it will make is in students' budgets.

"(The Liberal's) plan is to implement a gradual increase now just to set a precedent. It might be gradual for the first two years, but it's going to be drastic after that."

Begley points to a survey conducted at l'Université de Montréal in 1986 which suggested that if tuition doubled, 25 per cent of those studying full-time would drop to part-time. Thirteen per cent said they would be forced to drop out of school.

Those against a tuition increase were encouraged earlier this year by the release of another study by noted Université de Québec à Montréal economics and education professor Clément Lemelin. He concluded that any increase in tuition would hurt Quebec economically in the long run.

"It is important that those who are calling for a substantial increase in tuition correctly analyze the consequences and not be only concerned with short-term gains," Lemelin says in the study.

The study reported that if tuition doubled, 12.5 per cent of full-time students would be forced to drop out, even if loans and bursaries were increased. Because of the decrease in the number of people with diplomas in the province, the government would collect less in taxes, the study concluded.

During the election campaign, ANEEQ is trying to convince politicians and the public that higher education should remain a right in Quebec.

It became a right in 1964, when the historic Parent Commission released a study of Quebec education that recommended drastic changes to a system still under the control of the Catholic Church. It proposed modernizing the system and making university education, which was then a privilege of the elite, accessible to all Quebecers.

In the 25 years since, the number of university students in the province has soared from 24,000 to 250,000 with Quebec now spending $1.7 billion every year on post-secondary education. Within Canada, Quebec now has the highest rate of attendance at educational institutions.

BUSINESS' CONTRIBUTION

The impoverished state of the province's universities — underfunded by about $160 million yearly — has recently attracted the attention of business leaders concerned about Quebec's ability to compete on international markets. They say that only quality education will ensure Quebec's future.

"The current university funding system promotes mediocrity instead of creating conditions essential for excellence in research," Pierre Lortie, president of Provigo, told the Montreal Chamber of Commerce in February.

Lortie is part of an increasingly vocal business lobby insisting that the time has come for students to pay a larger share of the cost.

Parti Quebecois education critic Jacques Brassard says his party has a plan that would make the province's educational system more competitive without placing the burden on students.

The PQ wants to implement a special research and development tax on businesses that are not currently investing in research in the province. Money raised would go directly towards the PQ's $848-million plan to increase funding to universities and to the loans and bursaries program.

"We have to make education a priority again," Brassard says. "We have to invest in Quebec's grey matter.

"Quebec has to be able to compete, otherwise we will lose more and more ground to others," Brassard says, "but tuition fees make up only eight or nine per cent of universities' budgets. Raising them would not make a difference in funding, it will only make it harder for many to graduate."

Luc Rhéaume, an aide to Education Minister Claude Ryan, says accessibility would not be diminished because increased government aid would offset the hike.

"Before any tuition increase is put in place, the loans and bursaries system will have to be reformed so the poorest don't suffer," Rhéaume says. "(Ryan) has said repeatedly that if there is an increase, it will be gradual — we won't double or triple tuition right away."

Rhéaume says the decision to raise tuition has not been made yet.

"Mr. Ryan thinks that there has to be an increase in order to improve the state of the universities, but the decision has to be made by the caucus."

Earlier this year, Ryan announced that an extra $33 million would be added to loans and $19 million to loans and bursaries in the 1990-91 school year.

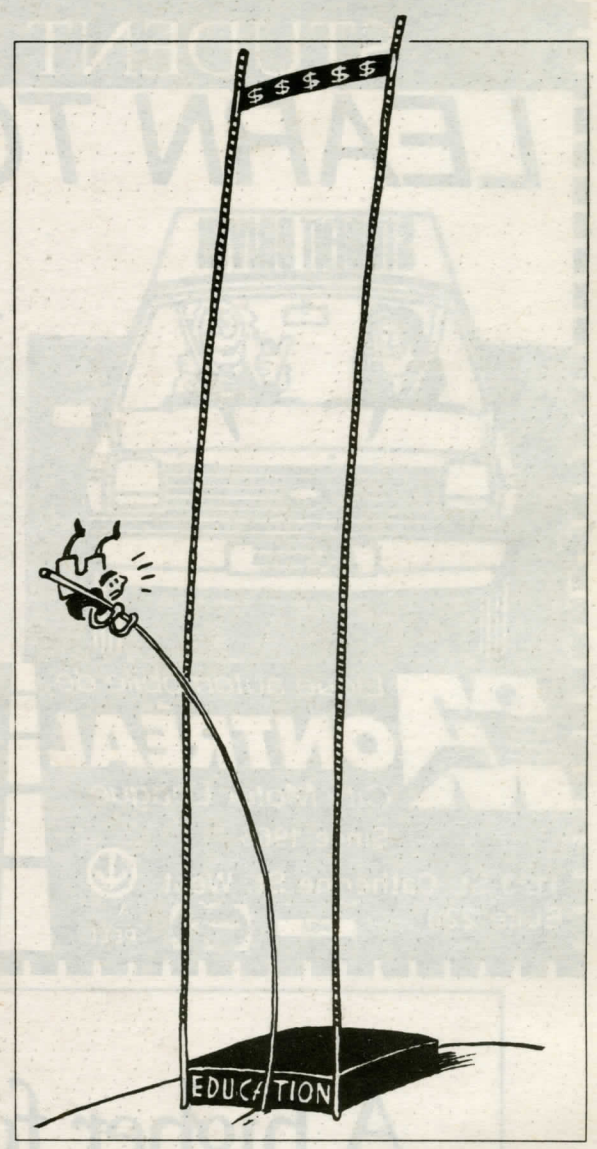
But that's much less than what ANEEQ members were asking for when they staged a three-week walkout for more government aid last fall. The announcement also didn't address ANEEQ's main demand that students living at home be eligible for government aid.

Since the late1970s, the provincial government has been taking money away from bursaries and putting it into loans. According to ANEEQ, this trend, coupled with a tuition increase, would put students into severe debt before they even graduate.

Another trend — this one from Ontario — also alarms student leaders.

"In Ontario, the figures show that as tuition goes up, government funding decreases. If Quebec increases tuition, it's obvious government funding will inevitably go down," Begley says.

While tuition in Ontario has kept pace with inflation between 1977 and 1987, increases in operating grants have been below inflation, according to a study by Ontario Federation of Students. In constant dollars, operating grants per student are now 16 per cent lower than they were 10 years earlier.



MOBILIZING STUDENTS

If Bourassa wins, ANEEQ plans to mobilize students and pressure the new government to maintain the freeze.

"As soon as a cabinet is named and an education minister takes office, we'll ask Bourassa and the education minister to meet with us to discuss tuition fees," says Begley.

"Then, on October 18, we're going to have a mass rally and ask for a committment from them. If there is no decision by then, we'll throw out an ultimatum: either there is a guarantee that tuition will be frozen or we'll have to take action to force that promise."

What that action might be has not been decided yet, but ANEEQ isn't ruling out a province-wide strike. ANEEQ, Canada's most militant student organization, has forced governments to backtrack before.

In 1986, when Bourassa said he would renege on his promise not to raise the fees during his first mandate, ANEEQ quickly mobilized, calling a general strike and forcing him to back down. But Bourassa made it clear he would not be foiled again.

Begley admits it will be difficult to fight off an increase this time, but says ANEEQ is not ready to give up a fight it has been waging since it was created in 1975.

ANEEQ is planning demonstrations and public meetings during the campaign, but has made no decision about a strike. According to Begley, a strike decision will be made only after the election.

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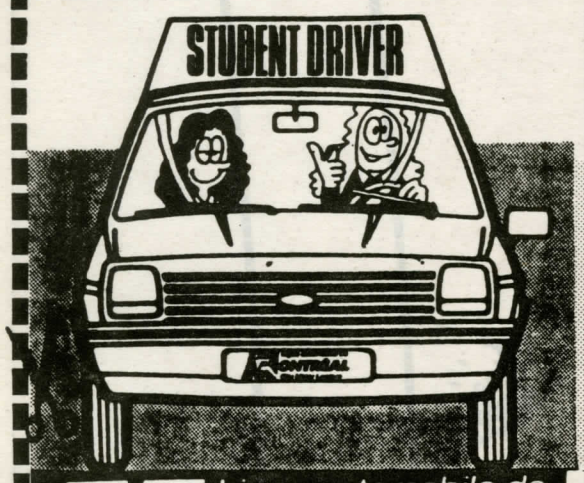

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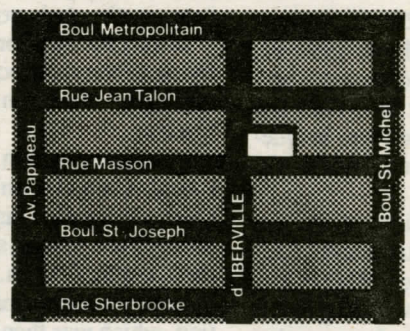

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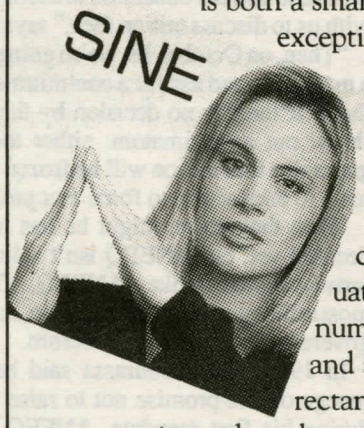

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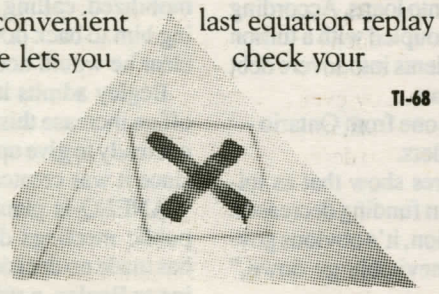

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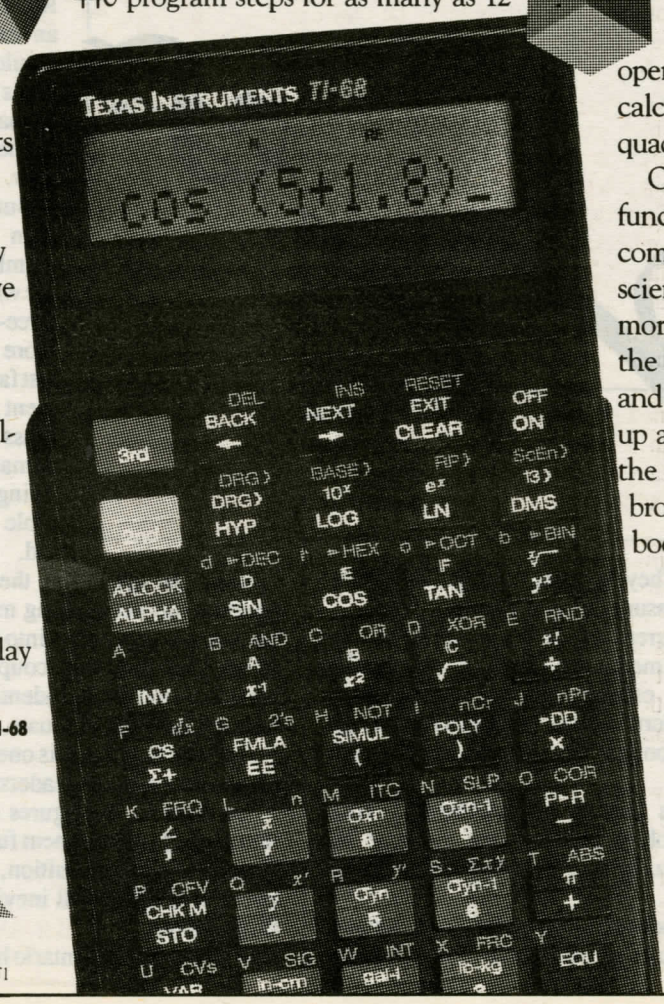

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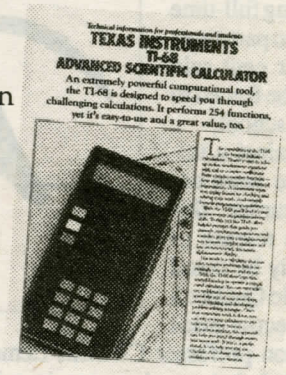

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The environment: Four years later

Liberals let land slide

by Heidi Modro

Every spring Robert Harvey washes and spray paints the outside of his two-floor lily white cottage in Trois-Rivieres. The walls of his 30-year-old house are blackened by the soot and residue released from the nearby pulp and paper mills and aluminium processing plant. Harvey has given up hope that the situation is ever going to change.

"When I was a kid in the 1940s you could actually swim in the water. Now you can't even smell it anymore," Harvey says. "They just keep pumping all of the garbage into the river. Then we have to drink it."

After decades of obscurity, environmental groups are suddenly having their concerns put onto the electoral agenda this year.

Since the beginning of the election campaign six weeks ago, the Liberals have boasted of their achievements in economic affairs and industrial growth. They've published colourful pamphlets outlining the successes of economic mega projects such as Bourassa's James Bay II (see sidebar) and the 233,000 new jobs which have been created during the Liberal mandate.

But many believe the relative economic prosperity enjoyed under the Liberals has come at the expense of Quebec's fragile environment.

Daniel Green of the Société pour vaincre la pollution says environmental problems have become so serious in Quebec that the population can no longer ignore them.

"The environment has become an issue that is just as important as the language issue, unemployment, social affairs and the national question," he says. "Politicians can no longer afford to bypass the population's concern."

The St. Basile le Grand PCB fire, the St-Jean lead poisoning incident, and ever increasing lake and river pollution stand as a monument to the insensitivity many feel have characterized Bourassa's record on ecological issues.

"What Bourassa does not understand is that you cannot in the long run have a healthy economy if you do not have a healthy environment," says Helene Lajambe, a Université du Québec à Montréal part-time political science and environment professor.

"The Liberals' policies have specialized in short term economic gain that in the long run are not necessarily beneficial to future generations."

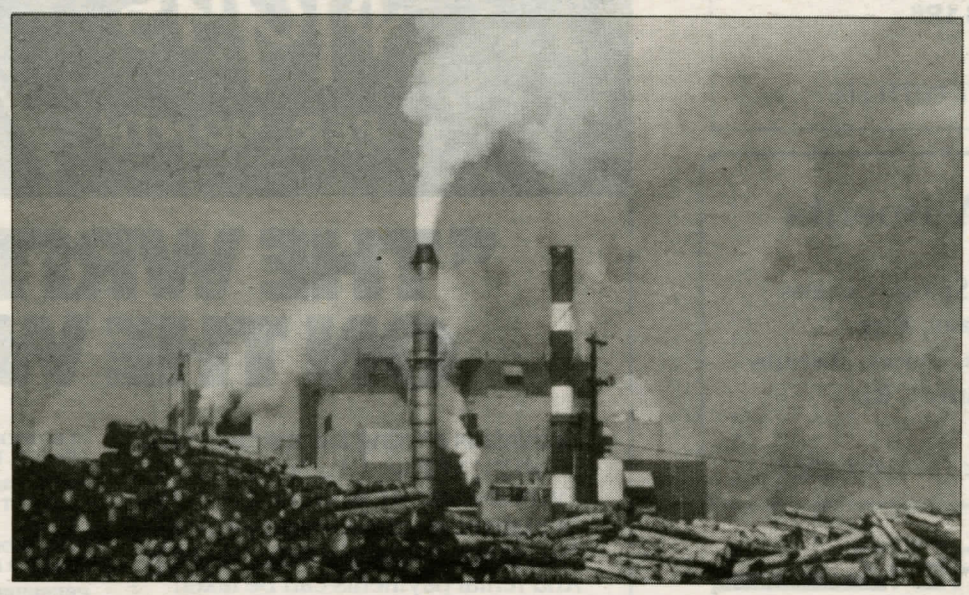
Although the Liberals are credited for the 1987 anti-smoking legislation and their attempts at reducing sulfur emissions causing acid rain, they nonetheless were also directly responsible for the mishandling of the disastrous St. Basile le Grand PCB affair.

In July of 1988, the 15,000 residents of St. Basile le Grand were evacuated after a fire ravaged a PCB storage house.

Unsure of what to do with the leftover chemical waste, the Liberals for months passed the PCB buck. The government eventually tried to load the toxic cargo on a ship which even the captain did not want to carry across the ocean to Great Britain.

"The shipping of the PCBs across the ocean to Great Britain was an action of a government that quickly and thoughtlessly wanted to dump their problem on another country," says Marc Beauchesne of Greenpeace. "The plan rightfully backfired on him."

In the past month, reports have started surfacing out of Saint-Jean sur le Richelieu that children have been found to have excessive amounts of lead in their systems.



The Liberals came under fire when it was discovered that the government knew since 1987 that the Balmet battery recycling plant was discharging excessive amounts of lead.

Beauchesne says the Liberals never grasped the environment issue because they were always too obsessed with economic factors.

"They constantly panicked in front of the environmental dossier. They went from one crisis to another. They're not an environmentally-oriented government," he says. "They never really wanted to be too tough on any of the big polluters because they were afraid of becoming unpopular with the large corporations."

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Added to these crises has been the problem of Quebec's lakes and waterway pollution.

In the Saint-Maurice in Trois Rivieres, Greenpeace has conducted tests with results showing that PCB contamination levels are in some places a 1000 times higher than what they should be. The pulp and paper industry has been indiscriminately throwing its toxic waste into the river for the past 40 years.

The Saint-Lawrence waterway is also infested with some 100,000 metric tons of waste containing some 800 different types of chemicals such as mercury, lead, DDTs and PCBs.

"The Saint-Lawrence is the source of water supply for some three million people who are all at risk," Green says.

This has affected marine life, with fish throughout the province getting cancer and other genetic defects while the Beluga whale in the Tadoussac region is on the brink of extinction.

"We're worried that what is happening to marine life right now will soon be happening to human beings. It's all a question about how long it takes for the poisons to work their way up the food chain," Beauchesne says.

Being an image-obsessed party, the Liberals have quickly understood the need to clean up their record on the environment for the next election.

They passed legislation last year raising fines for polluters and creating a special environmental police to investigate cases of pollution

They've also made the environment a central theme in their election platform and are promising to spend a $50 million on cleaning up air, water and soil pollution, preventing environmental damage and prosecuting law-breakers.

The Liberals have pledged to inject another $50 million into researching ways of disposing of hazardous wastes. But Beauchesne calls this amount "peanuts" and is not convinced they are taking the right approach.

"You can throw as much money as you want into cleaning up but it's all useless unless you get the companies to first stop polluting," he says. "Besides it's not up to taxpayers to pay for any clean-up. It should be the industries themselves that should do the cleaning."

The Liberals are also proposing to set up a permanent round table of environmentalists, private industry and government officials to air out public concerns and solutions.

But Lajambe feels this is useless since Bourassa has had a poor record on hearing out the concerns of anyone opposed to his ideas.

"Environmental groups have become very cynical about anything Bourassa says. He makes big speeches and has big press conferences where he very cleverly manipulates the media without ever hearing criticisms or answering any questions which are asked by any of the serious critics."

Green calls the Liberal's ecological platform an attempt at "saving face, not lives."

"What they're proposing is just not good enough. We are losing the battle. How many bodies do they want to see before they give the benefit of the doubt to the environment."

The press attaché for Environment Minister Lise Bacon responded to the attacks by outlining the new attitude that the Liberals have adopted.

"Of course groups can complain and criticize all they want, but the fact of the matter is that the environment's needs are very great and the environment (department's) budget has steadily been increasing," she says.

"Over the past few years there has been an incredible rise in environmental conscious raising and it must continue because there is a lot catching up to do."

The Parti Quebecois has also come up with an elaborate environmental programme. Unfortunately, according to Beauchesne, their concept of the environment also does not correspond to its needs.

"They're proposing that taxpayers and industry share the costs of cleaning the environment," Beauchesne says.

"That's absurd – the private citizen contributes maybe two per cent to the environmental problems with his garbage and other waste but the big heavy producing industries are responsible for most of it."

Dangerous Bay

by Wayne Hiltz

Robert Bourassa's hydro-electric project was given a jolt by a group of panelists at the Green Energy Conference last week.

A panel of three native leaders and three environmentalists presented the flip side of the much-touted government project. According to the panelists, Quebecers may be in for an environmental and financial disaster if the project goes through.

Economist and UQAM political science professor Helene Lajambe told the audience the project is costly and impractical. She said Hydro Quebec already has a $22 billion hydro-electric debt which translates into a $7,000 debt each Quebec family must carry.

With the additional $15 billion cost of the new James Bay II project, Quebec risks undergoing "Third Worldization," with its accompanying high debts, excessive export of natural resources, and dependence on fluctuating markets, she added.

Native leader and Cree Grand Council Chief Matthew Coon-Come said he was against the James Bay projects because they have and will continue to destroy his people's way of life.

"We define ourselves by our ability to live off and use the land. Hunting, fishing, and trapping is still our main economy with about 40 per cent of the people involved in these activities," Coon-Come explained.

The first phase of James Bay hydro development, which began 15 years ago, destroyed vast areas of land which curtailed the Cree's hunting and trapping territory and contaminated their fish banks through mercury poisoning.

"James Bay II will destroy even more than the first," Coon-Come said, citing its potential damage to fish, seals, migratory birds, caribou and moose.

The Cree Grand Chief also decried the lack of funds provided to study the effects of James Bay I

Coon-Come called for public hearings on James Bay II, saying that even the Quebec public will come to realize the projects are not in their best interest.

New-England environmentalist Leigh Seddon said he is lobbying his home state not to buy James Bay II hydro-electrically-produced power because it will ruin the North-

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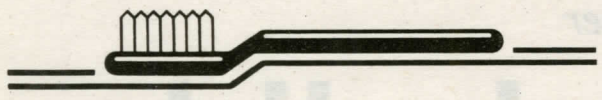

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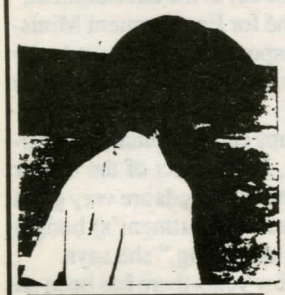

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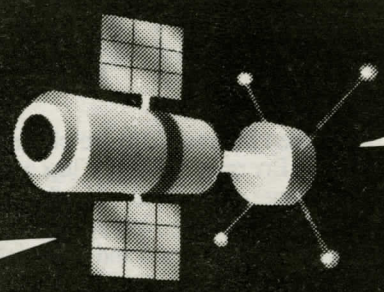

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The parties' position on women's issues

Women want more than baby bucks

by Eleanor Brown

It doesn't happen often, but the host of a radio phone-in show is losing his temper. Candidates from every political party sit in the studio, headphones glued to their ears, waiting for callers to pepper them with questions, happy for the chance to promote their platforms.

The question: Are politicians paying enough attention to women's issues during this campaign?

And the first few callers don't want to talk about women's issues.

"Thanks. Next caller," mutters the host.

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Karen Takacs isn't surprised. A former CUSA co-president turned community worker, she says a lot is being ignored in the run-up to the polls.

Takacs points to last week's debate on women's issues, set up by the Concordia Women's Centre.

"The two main parties are no different. They have nothing to offer us," Takacs said in exasperation. "Yes, women's issues were discussed, but we didn't hear anything new. Politicians figure 'We'll talk about day care and that will satisfy the women.' We're still being treated like a special interest group."

Women's Centre co-ordinator Jocelyne Cottier says the public doesn't seem to mind the exclusion.

"The really sad part about it is that nobody showed up (to the debate). We advertised this thing all over theplace. We worked so damn hard — to get 65 people. I couldn't believe it. That's 13,000 agendas, 1200 flyers, press releases and phone calls. And everybody in the audience was a relative of somebody (up on the podium)." Cottier didn't get much out of the debate either.

"The NDP and the Greens promise the world, they always do — they're not likely to get into power. That's as likely as me winning the lottery tomorrow."

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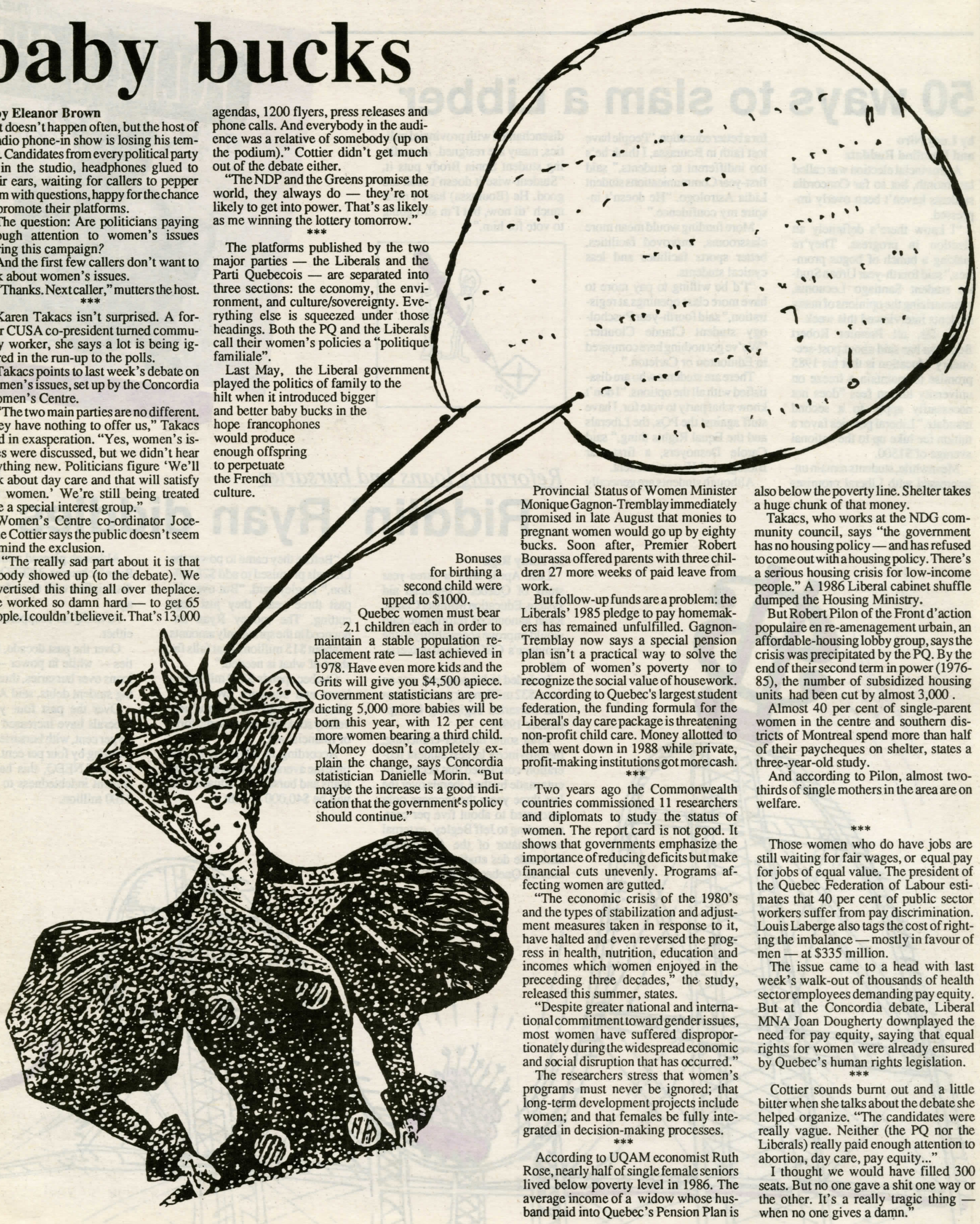
The platforms published by the two major parties — the Liberals and the Parti Quebecois — are separated into three sections: the economy, the environment, and culture/sovereignty. Everything else is squeezed under those headings. Both the PQ and the Liberals call their women's policies a "politique familiale".

Last May, the Liberal government played the politics of family to the hilt when it introduced bigger and better baby bucks in the hope francophones would produce enough offspring to perpetuate the French culture.

Bonuses for birthing a second child were upped to $1000.

Quebec women must bear 2.1 children each in order to maintain a stable population replacement rate — last achieved in 1978. Have even more kids and the Grits will give you $4,500 apiece. Government statisticians are predicting 5,000 more babies will be born this year, with 12 per cent more women bearing a third child.

Money doesn't completely explain the change, says Concordia statistician Danielle Morin. "But maybe the increase is a good indication that the government's policy should continue."



Provincial Status of Women Minister Monique Gagnon-Tremblay immediately promised in late August that monies to pregnant women would go up by eighty bucks. Soon after, Premier Robert Bourassa offered parents with three children 27 more weeks of paid leave from work.

But follow-up funds are a problem: the Liberals' 1985 pledge to pay homemakers has remained unfulfilled. Gagnon-Tremblay now says a special pension plan isn't a practical way to solve the problem of women's poverty nor to recognize the social value of housework.

According to Quebec's largest student federation, the funding formula for the Liberal's day care package is threatening non-profit child care. Money allotted to them went down in 1988 while private, profit-making institutions got more cash.

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Two years ago the Commonwealth countries commissioned 11 researchers and diplomats to study the status of women. The report card is not good. It shows that governments emphasize the importance of reducing deficits but make financial cuts unevenly. Programs affecting women are gutted.

"The economic crisis of the 1980's and the types of stabilization and adjustment measures taken in response to it, have halted and even reversed the progress in health, nutrition, education and incomes which women enjoyed in the preceeding three decades," the study, released this summer, states.

"Despite greater national and international commitment toward gender issues, most women have suffered disproportionately during the widespread economic and social disruption that has occurred."

The researchers stress that women's programs must never be ignored; that long-term development projects include women; and that females be fully integrated in decision-making processes.

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According to UQAM economist Ruth Rose, nearly half of single female seniors lived below poverty level in 1986. The average income of a widow whose husband paid into Quebec's Pension Plan is also below the poverty line. Shelter takes a huge chunk of that money.

Takacs, who works at the NDG community council, says "the government has no housing policy — and has refused to come out with a housing policy. There's a serious housing crisis for low-income people." A 1986 Liberal cabinet shuffle dumped the Housing Ministry.

But Robert Pilon of the Front d'action populaire en re-amenagement urbain, an affordable-housing lobby group, says the crisis was precipitated by the PQ. By the end of their second term in power (1976-85), the number of subsidized housing units had been cut by almost 3,000 .

Almost 40 per cent of single-parent women in the centre and southern districts of Montreal spend more than half of their paycheques on shelter, states a three-year-old study.

And according to Pilon, almost two-thirds of single mothers in the area are on welfare.

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Those women who do have jobs are still waiting for fair wages, or equal pay for jobs of equal value. The president of the Quebec Federation of Labour estimates that 40 per cent of public sector workers suffer from pay discrimination. Louis Laberge also tags the cost of righting the imbalance — mostly in favour of men — at $335 million.

The issue came to a head with last week's walk-out of thousands of health sector employees demanding pay equity. But at the Concordia debate, Liberal MNA Joan Dougherty downplayed the need for pay equity, saying that equal rights for women were already ensured by Quebec's human rights legislation.

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Cottier sounds burnt out and a little bitter when she talks about the debate she helped organize. "The candidates were really vague. Neither (the PQ nor the Liberals) really paid enough attention to abortion, day care, pay equity..."

I thought we would have filled 300 seats. But no one gave a shit one way or the other. It's a really tragic thing — when no one gives a damn."

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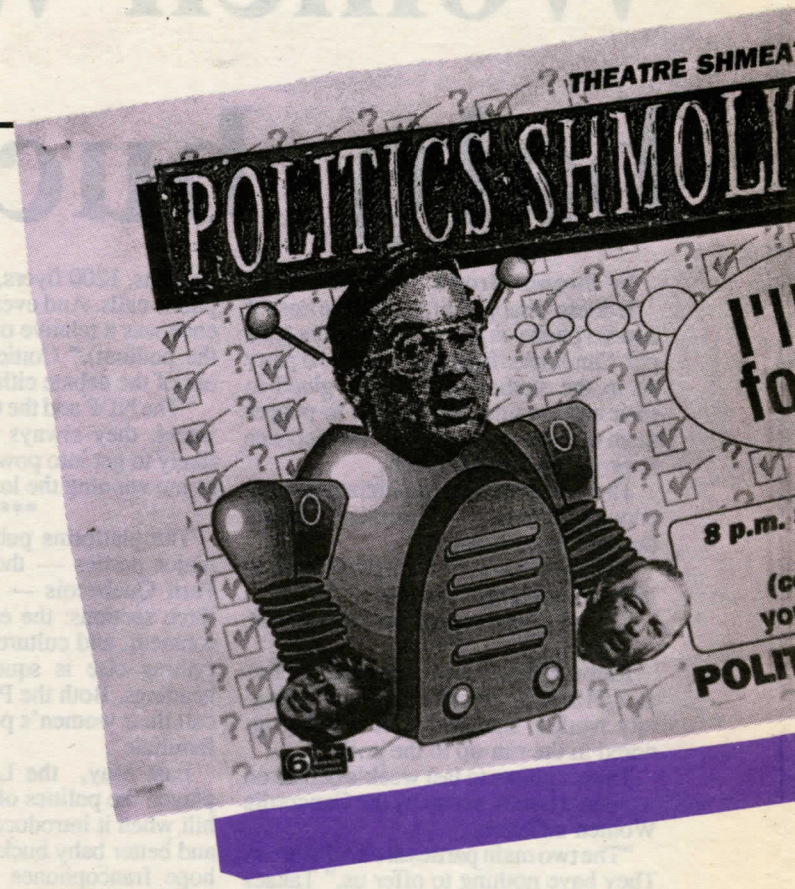


50 ways to slam a Libber

by Lucy Niro
and Rosalind Raddatz

A provincial election was called last month, but so far Concordia students haven't been overly impressed.

"I know there's definitely an election in progress. They're making a bunch of bogus promises," said fourth-year Urban Studies student Santiago Lecuoma, summarizing the opinions of many students interviewed this week.

So far, all Premier Robert Bourassa has said about post-secondary education is that his 1985 promise to maintain a freeze on university tuition fees "does not necessarily apply to a second mandate." Liberal policies favor a tuition fee hike up to the national average of $1500.

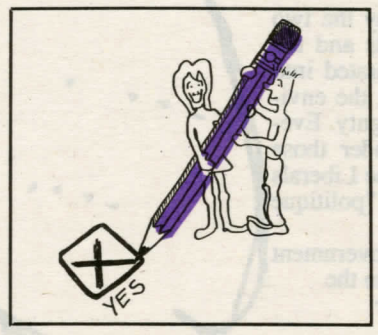
Meanwhile, students remain unimpressed with Liberal promises for a better education. "People have lost faith in Bourassa, I think he's too indifferent to students," said first-year Communications student Lidia Astrologo. "He doesn't inspire my confidence."

More funding would mean more classrooms, improved facilities, better sports facilities and less cynical students.

"I'd be willing to pay more to have more class openings at registration," said fourth-year Pyschology student Claude Cloutier. "We've got nothing here compared to Edmonton or Carleton."

There are students who are disatisfied with all the options. "I don't know what party to vote for. I have stuff against the PQs, the Liberals and the Equal Rights thing," said Carole Desnoyers, a first-year Biology and History student.

Although students are generally disenchanted with provincial politics, many are resigned. As auditing student Sonia Brody puts it, "Student-wise it doesn't look too good. He (Bourassa) hasn't done much 'til now, but I'm still going to vote for him."



Reforming loans and bursaries

Riddlin' Ryan diddles the

by Andy Riga

Last April, after a three-year study of Quebec's financial aid system, Education Minister Claude Ryan announced reforms he said would improve accessibility to the province's CEGEPs and universities.

Included in his proposal was an extra $32 million per year for loans and bursaries beginning in September 1990.

After some number-crunching, the province's largest student federation concluded that because of cuts made by the Liberals over the last three years the increase only amounted to about five per cent, according to Jeff Begley, external co-ordinator of the Association nationale des etudiantes et etudiants du Quebec (ANEEQ).

"Before they came to power the Liberals promised to add $28 million," Begley said. "But over the past three years they just kept cutting. The money Ryan announced in the spring only amounts to about $15 million. That falls far short of what is needed."

Quebec spends $270 million on loans and bursaries every year. About half of all CEGEP and university students receive some form of financial aid.

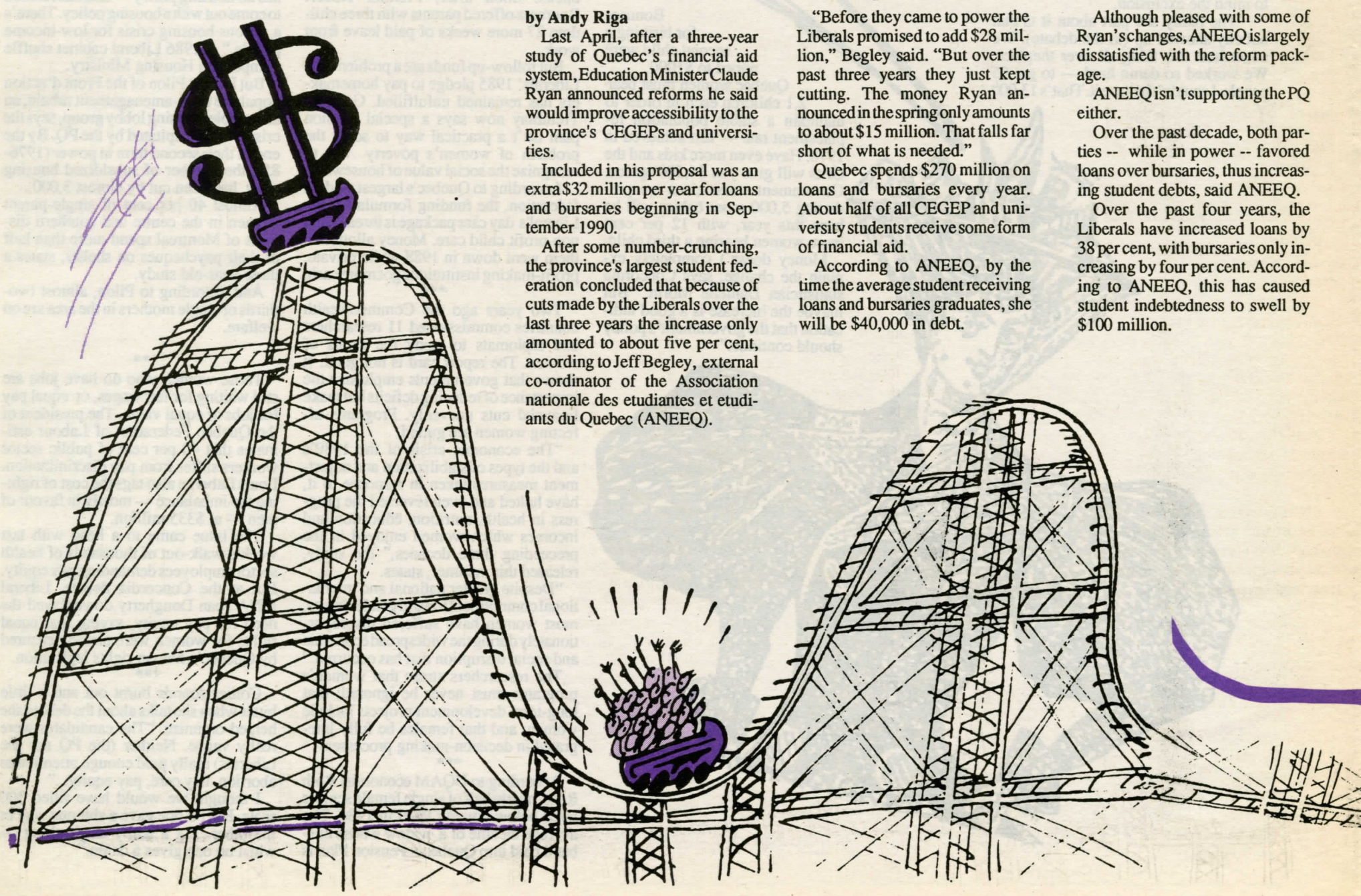
According to ANEEQ, by the time the average student receiving loans and bursaries graduates, she will be $40,000 in debt.

Although pleased with some of Ryan's changes, ANEEQ is largely dissatisfied with the reform package.

ANEEQ isn't supporting the PQ either.

Over the past decade, both parties -- while in power -- favored loans over bursaries, thus increasing student debts, said ANEEQ.

Over the past four years, the Liberals have increased loans by 38 per cent, with bursaries only increasing by four per cent. According to ANEEQ, this has caused student indebtedness to swell by $100 million.



Bou leaves Concordia in the poor house

by Jennifer Feinberg

When Quebec Education Minister Claude Ryan unveiled his secret formula to save universities last October, Concordia breathed a collective sigh of relief.

As Quebec's poorest university, Concordia hoped the formula would help alleviate chronic underfunding. A year later, the formula is still being studied — behind closed doors.

Last spring Concordia's accumulated deficit topped $ 40.6 million, but education as an issue is not in this year's election spotlight.

Although the Liberals have been more concerned with campaigning than number-crunching lately, the universities are now finetuning a rough draft of the new funding formula.

"Our position was and still is that the whole system is underfunded," said Concordia official Ken Whittingham. "We're not asking the government to open up the purse strings and pour money down an endless funnel, but to give us enough money to operate and manage the university in a rational way.

"Our trouble all along has been the fact that the government has been supportive vocally of our plight but the money just has not materialized. The problem has not been mismanagement and government figures have proved this. There just has not been enough money to educate each student."

But no one in the education department prepared to talk about the details of the reform.

That is until after the election.

If the Liberals are re-elected, the reform will be made public.

If not, the reform could end up in bureaucratic limbo.

The proposed "thaw" of the 20-year tuition fee freeze is one of the ways to increase university revenues according to Jeff Begley, external affairs official at l'Association Nationale des Etudiants-Etudiantes du Quebec (ANEEQ).

"The Liberal government has been threatening for years to raise fees," said Begley. "The reason they are hushed up about the details of the reform now is because the cornerstone is the unfreezing of tuition fees.

"What we'd like is that they (Liberals) be honest. They've played lip service to the idea of accessibility (to education) but they're just not coming through with the money."

How do the three parties stand on education funding?

"The Parti Quebecois supports the tuition freeze and keeping loans at their current rate. It has also pledged $150 million for the education system," said Begley, "The Liberals are avoiding the subject. Bourassa won't clarify their reform proposal except to hint about lifting the fee freeze. The Equality Party has no specific platform."

But Concordia officials say a fee hike will likely do nothing to reduce the accumulated deficits of Quebec universities.

"If tuition fees are raised, a percentage of that increase might go back to the university budget," said Concordia Treasurer Jean Paul Lauly, "which will constitute new money, but our financial situation will still be of some concern since we will still be paying $5 million a year in interest charges from the deficit."

Lauly said that if Concordia did not have its accumulated debt it would have the $5 million in interest charges in additional operating expenses. They could be put in priority areas such as hiring full time faculty or up-grading computer and lab equipment.

"We are hoping that the increase in tuition fees goes into the university system and not just to decrease the government share of the grant," said Lauly.

Associate Dean of engineering, Douglas Hamblin, said he hopes the capital acquisition part of the budget will soon allow for more lab equipment.

"With such a lab-oriented faculty such as engineering, the equipment runs the risk of becoming out-dated," said Hamblin, "You just have to be able to keep up to date. In the long term you have to worry about the program not getting accredited."

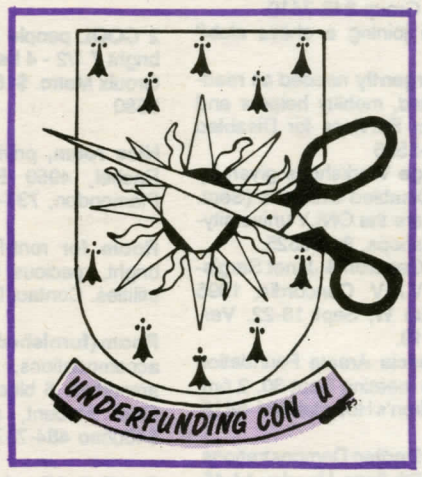
Most people involved in university financing argue that restructuring the funding formula could solve the crisis. But the focus should be on making the formula pay for the real cost of educating a student rather than using the average cost figure as with the old system.

Hal Proppe, Associate Vice Rector Services Finance, said the accumulated deficits of Quebec universities has reached the staggering total of $160 million. Concordia's share is about one quarter of the total.

"This has seriously affected our ability to forecast," said Proppe, "or to be accurate. We met with the government in June but after that we heard nothing and then the election was called."

Proppe said the most recent funding injection from the government was $40 million over a two-year period that was meant to keep the universities from going under until the funding formula was reworked.

But this is dependent on the Liberals being re-elected for another term.



Begley said it is not uncommon for a government to make funding cuts during the first part of their mandate and then throw token amounts of money at the problem toward the end.

This technique, he said, sometimes helps at re-election time.

In order for anyone to understand the baffling statistics and seemingly contradictory statements, it is important to look at the history of the chronic underfunding over the last ten years.

Concordia's problems began with the merger of Sir George Williams University and Loyola College in 1974.

The government promise of additional merger funding never materialized and together with the effect of constant budget cutting Concordia found it could barely break even from year to year.

Every year since Concordia has been asking for the same thing: additional funding to adjust the historic inequity which would also help offset their growing deficit as well as a new and improved funding formula.

The year 1987 saw the largest public relations campaign on behalf of the universities to put pressure on the government to stop the cuts.

Whittingham said that the funding formula would ideally take into account the differences in the cost of educating a medical student as opposed to an arts student.

"But I don't think our position is that lifting the tuition fee freeze will solve the problem as long as the government grants are decreased quid pro quo," said Whittingham.

In a document called "Les frais de scolarite universitaires: pourquoi s'opposer au degel" researcher Jean Pierre Paquet argues that it is not guaranteed that raising fees will improve the quality or accessibility of education.

Paquet argues that one of three things could happen. The first is that the additional revenue could just make for a reduced government grant. The second is that government funding could be even further reduced. In other words, tuition fees could be increased on an inflationary index but provincial funding could be diminished by as much as 16 per cent as was the case in Ontario in the last 10 years.

"In the best of all scenarios," he writes, "that is, if the government funding is not reduced, we estimate that doubling tuition fees would generate about $75 million in new revenue."

Begley said that ANEEQ is still fighting to keep the tuition fees frozen, to keep the cuts out of any financial aid reform and for the government to stop cutting university grants.

"The government's policies are basically telling us that students will just have to pay more for their education and if they can't pay— they can't go."

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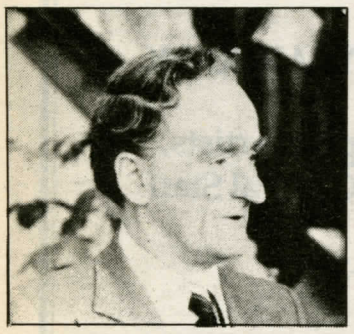
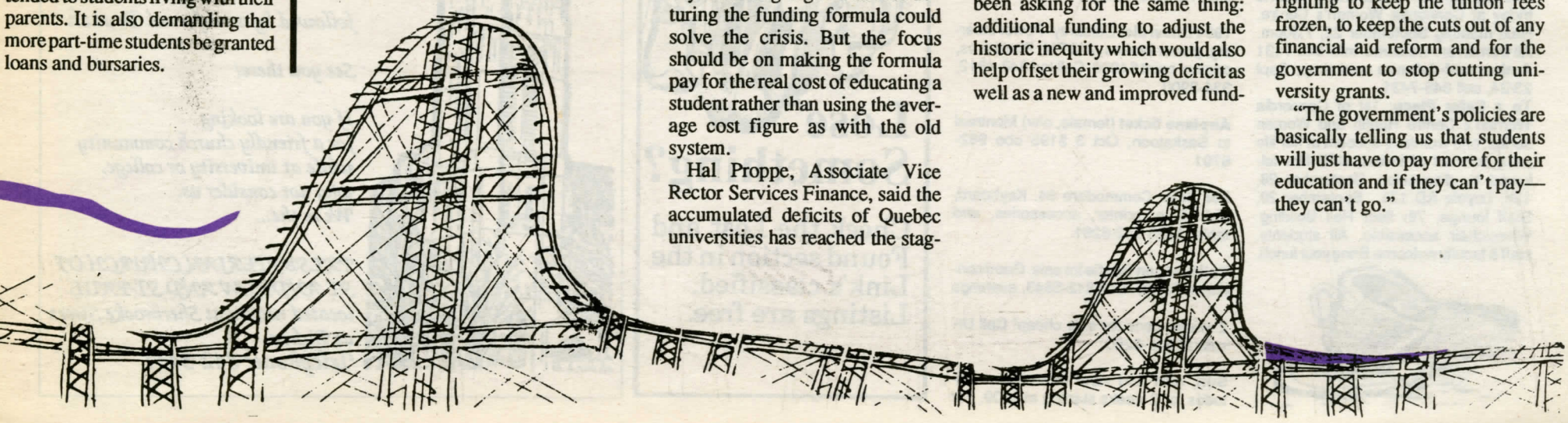


Ryan's April announcement did contain some good news for students.

According to education department figures, the changes will allow 25,000 more students to receive some form of aid, amounting to an increase of about 20 per cent. About 40,000 students will receive more money.

Public hearings on the proposed changes will take place later this fall before they come into effect in 1990-91.

ANEEQ wants aid to be extended to students living with their parents. It is also demanding that more part-time students be granted loans and bursaries.



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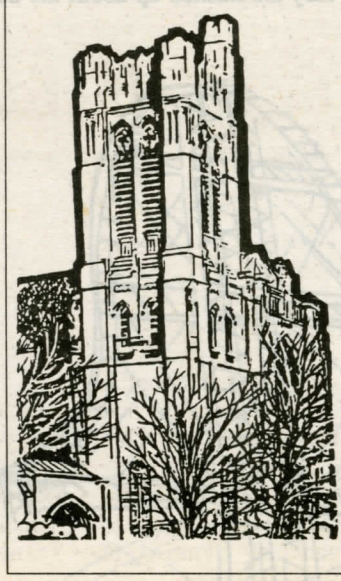

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Equality not living up to its name

by Peter Matz

Although his party is dubbed as one of "Equality", it appears candidate Jose Di Bona is playing favorites.

The 46-year-old candidate in the crucial Saint-Louis riding — comprised of McGill, Concordia and UQAM — says anglophone universities should receive more funding than their francophone counterparts.

He also says francophones should attend university in English if they want to make the province competitive on an international scale.

"It's not a question of language," says Di Bona. "It's a question that goes much deeper than that. Quebec cannot live in isolation."

He said Quebec's education system needs to be restructured but could not offer any concrete figures. His goals include increased university funding and "substantially subsidized" tuition fees.

Playing favourites

"If the amount of money used to police the French language were divided by the number of students in Quebec, each would have several thousand dollars per year to help them with their tuition."

David Libman, Klein de Santis and David de Santis formed the party in March 1988 as a direct response to a federal report which said the Quebec language policy "humiliated" anglophones. During this time, the government was also debating the Cinema Act and legislating the use of French in companies with fewer than 50 employees.

Angered by Robert Bourassa's treatment of anglos, Di Bona says he wanted to "do something about it." Di Bona offered to help personal friend Libman by running in the St. Louis riding.

While he sees support for his party climbing, he fears many may vote Liberal instead of Equality thinking Bourassa has the same position as the federal Liberal party.

"The future of the Equality Party is to become the true Liberal Party of Quebec," said Di Bona.

When contacted for an interview this week, Gordon Atkinson — Equality Party candidate in the NDG riding — said he was already extremely busy conducting interviews.

"I do not have the luxury of time," he told a reporter at his campaign office as he reclined in a brown lazy-boy chair.

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by Ray Straatsma

Green Party candidates are running in the Quebec election as "ecologists, not politicians," says Rolf Bramann, Green candidate in the Viger riding.

Bramann said Green Party has "very intelligent politics" that should appeal to any "educated voter" who is aware of Canada's environmental problems.

Bramann is one of the founders of the Quebec Green party in Quebec, and is running in his fourth election as a Green candidate. He campaigned in the 1985 provincial election and the Federal contests in 1984 and 1988.

During that time the Green Party has established itself in the province, Bramann said. They now rank fourth in the number of candidates fielded, out of a total of 19 political parties. In the 1984 federal election there were four Green candidates in Quebec, and now they have 46 candidates running.

While they don't expect to win any ridings, the Green Party feels it has made a difference. According to Bramann, the party's role "is to promote the right issues, and to act as a pressure group, and I think we have succeeded in that."

As proof, Bramann offers the vastly increased attention being paid to environmental issues by political parties and the media. He also cites a CROP-La Presse poll released Tuesday which ranks the Green Party fifth in total popular support, after the Equality party, the NDP, and the two mainstream parties.

But are the Greens a single issue party? Environmental protection is "the backbone of our campaign," Bramann said, but it is extended to other areas. In energy policy, the Greens support renewable and sustainable alternatives to Quebec's dependence on oil, water and nuclear power. They would promote solar, wind and wood power.

Concerning economic development, the Greens would "never create a job if it contributed to a polluted environment," Bramann said, and would set stiff fines and jail terms for polluting industries and their officials.

This year, with many disenchanted voters heading for the ballot box, Bramann said the Green Party is the most "intelligent" choice.

Of lemons and revolution

by Rachel Vincent

Fringe parties are alive and well in Quebec.

The Quebec 51 Party recommends that Quebec become the 51st state of the United States. The Lemon Party plans to declare September 26 as Christmas Day. Their slogan reads "Vote for a fruit, not a vegetable."

The Revolutionary Workers' League (RWL), an international socialist organization with 30 Montreal members, is running a candidate in the Laurier riding — minus the catchy slogans. The campaign is a quiet affair, centered around disseminating information rather than making empty campaign promises.

The RWL campaign headquarters is the Pathfinder bookstore on St.Laurent where they sponsor weekly public forums.

The League announced the single candidacy of Michel Dugre with little fanfare on September 7. Dugre, 41, a presser at a garment factory also belongs to the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union.

"Our candidate spends most of his time on picket lines, with the nurses, with the public sector workers," said campaign coordinator Cheryl Pruitt, 33, a punch press operator.

"All of us are, in a sense, candidates for this election. This is not a hierarchical campaign, like that waged by the big parties. We are all political thinkers who have things to say."

The League's platform is a three-part "action program" directed at what they see as the impending economic doom brought about by capitalism. On the domestic front, the RWL advocates a shortening of the work week and the creation of stronger affirmative action programs.

Pruitt said workers must be made aware of Castro's Cuba— which the RWL considers to be the "model"communist country.

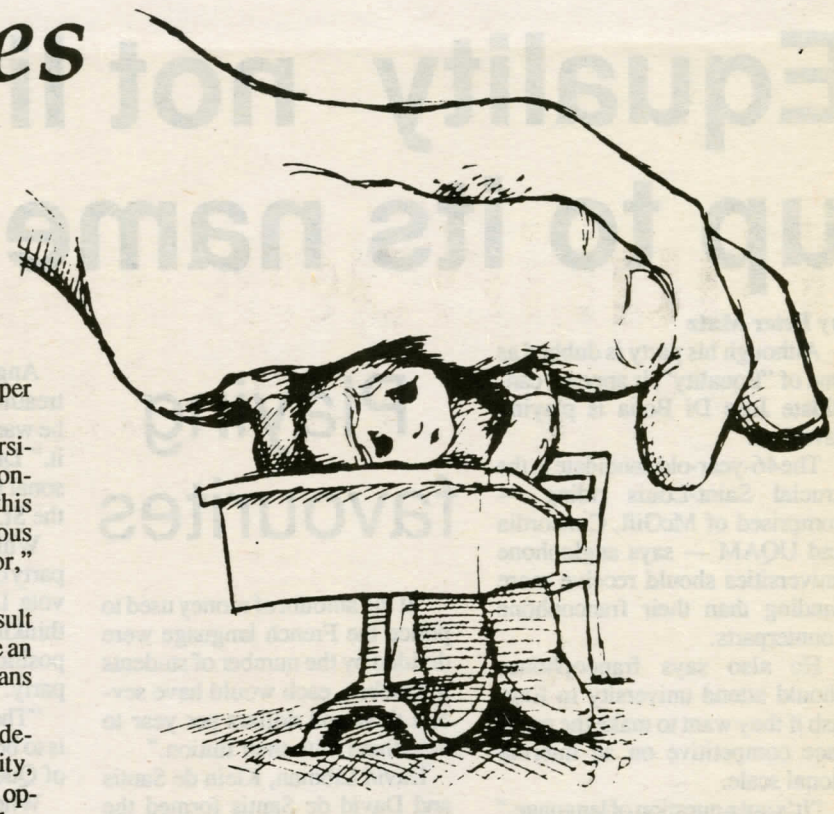
"We are the greatest defenders of the Cuban Revolution right now," says League member Brigitte Goix, a 33-year-old sewing machine operator. She recently returned from a fact-finding mission with 40 other Canadians in Cuba.

The RWL dismisses 'perestroika' in the U.S.S.R. as an effort to replace "deformed capitalism" with "oppressive capitalistic mechanisms."

But as long as there are issues to defend, the RWL says they will be on the frontlines.

"We don't think we are going to win," explains Groulx. "But we want to let people know what we stand for and, by doing so, help unify the people."

... The Other Parties



MNA wants fee hike

by Lucy Niro

If re-elected, the Liberals have every right to increase tuition and abolish Quebec's 20-year tuition freeze, according to Jacques Chagnon, Liberal MNA for Saint-Louis. "Tuition fees should have been raised 20 years ago," said Chagnon. "The universities shall have the right to increase fees (once Premier Robert Bourassa okays the increase)."

Chagnon, 37, is a second-time Liberal candidate. He is a member of the budget and administration commission. In 1986, he was designated parliamentary assistant of the Treasury Board.

If elected again, Chagnon vows to tackle all aspects of the education issue.

He said more funds should be allocated to colleges for the purchase of technical material, so the professional training area will be capable of supplying the best possible training.

Chagnon's riding includes McGill, Concordia and UQAM. "All should receive more financially. Concordia should receive $4 million," he said.

Over the past few weeks, Premier Robert Bourassa and Education Minister Claude Ryan have publicly hinted at a thaw in the 20-year freeze on Quebec university tuition fees.

Students can expect a fee increase of up to $1200. The decision to up tuition fees will be left to the discretion of the university.

Chagnon, a Concordia political science graduate, said Quebec universities must seek financing elsewhere, such as the private sector, to gain independence. The Quebec government presently subsidizes approximately 94 per cent of university funding.

"I deeply believe that universities have to get a certain autonomy. The only way to find this autonomy is to get autonomous funds from the private sector," Chagnon said.

He also said an immediate result of raising tuition fees should be an increase in accessibility to loans and bursaries.

His other priorities include developing the cultural community, providing more employment opportunities, housing the homeless and the elderly, and implementing French courses for anglophones.

"Language is not the issue (in the elections)," Chagnon said. "The issue is accepting the anglophone community."

Referring to the Equality Party, Chagnon said "they will get only 15 per cent of the vote, almost exclusively the anglophone vote and the Jewish vote. Don't ask me why the Jews and the anglophones choose to marginalize their interests in four or five persons. I see nothing clever or intelligent in the Equality Party."

Social problems targeted

by Mike Orsini

There's one message clearly ringing out of the campaign offices of two Parti Quebecois candidates: bury the nagging language issue once and for all.

Arianne Veronneau, PQ candidate in the downtown Saint-Louis riding, said her party is not primarily concerned with language or the controversial Bill 101 legislation advanced by the Levesque government in 1977.

"Language is not the major issue," the 29-year-old program analyst said. "We (PQ members) are tired of French and English people quarrelling about language. It's ridiculous to have a wall between us because we're all in the same boat."

But one issue Veronneau says the PQ will not hide from is sovereignty. She says Quebec will never reach its true economic potential unless it secedes from the rest of Canada.

"The only way to manage our own priorities is by being independent," the part-time Concordia performing arts student said. "We need a voice. We need to have the power to change things."

"We're not a banana republic. We have what it takes to be independent."

As an 18-year-old single parent and a struggling student Veronneau said she has experienced firsthand the inequities of the present political system.

"I've survived many injustices," she said. "When I was studying, I was a single parent on welfare. I lived the situation."

Veronneau and fellow PQ candidate for the NDG riding, Suzanne Morin, said many of their running mates are ignoring the issues affecting Quebecers.

Morin, a 20-year NDG resident, said poverty and employment are more than "token" concerns in her riding. She cited unemployment figures of 11.2% in NDG, which exceed the city average of 9.8%. Also, more than 31% of NDG families are headed by a single parent (mostly mothers) as compared to 26.8% in Montreal.

Morin believes children from these families experience problems in their adolescence which eventually lead them on the road to drug use and other illegal activities.

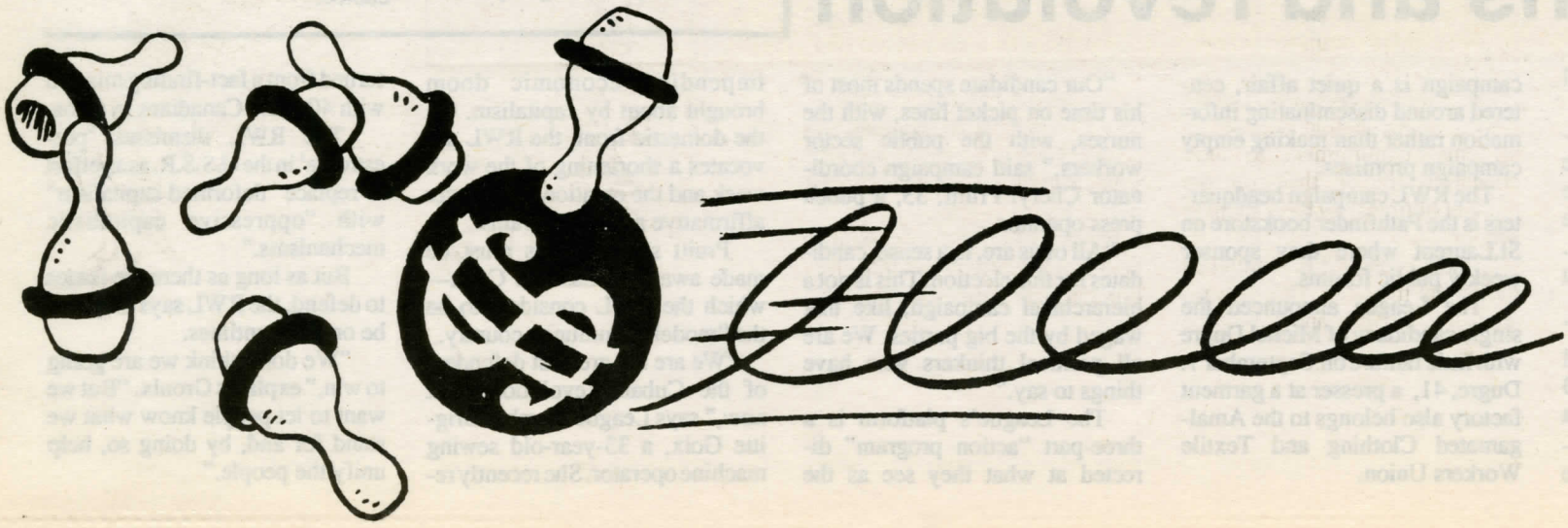
"They (the children) have difficulty integrating because they don't have a father figure," said Morin, the director of volunteers for the YWCA. "These children have problems being accepted and sometimes they drop out and fall into drugs."

The PQ promises to devote 1% of their budget toward community action programmes in the hope of increasing services to single-parent families, the homeless, and others on the lower rungs of society.

Veronneau's Saint-Louis riding is also no stranger to problems of urban decay. The riding—extending from Saint-Hubert to Atwater and from Mont-Royal Avenue to the river— serves as a backdrop for all that is wrong with Montreal, she says.

According to PQ figures, in this riding "2,056 families with children out of 3,059 are single-parent families, with 80% of them with women as head of a family, a large number of them receiving welfare."

Eleven years ago, Veronneau became part of these statistics. At age 18, while still a student, she had a baby and was forced to live



Thuringer hangs loose on tuition

by Rosalind Raddatz

With its Ivy League appearance and Jesuit college past, Loyola is a reminder of a more traditional approach to academic life.

But if the Liberal MNA for NDG (the riding in which the campus is located) has his way, education policies will move in a direction Quebec student leaders have fought for the past decade.

Higher tuition fees and greater collaboration with the private sector are two points Harold Thuringer would like to see implemented.

To improve Quebec universities would definitely require a tuition hike, but "the burden shouldn't be just on the backs of students," he says.

Thuringer says the federal and provincial governments should work alongside the industrial sector to provide students with an improved education and better job opportunities.

While encouraging greater accessibility to loans and bursaries, Thuringer gave no specific solution for students who graduate with a looming debt shadowing their futures. He later condemned students "who get loans when they really don't need them," labelling them irresponsible.

Thuringer also says Canadians are "tight-assed" about the language issue.

The 53-year-old member of the National Assembly believes students can change that.

"The new generation doesn't have the baggage," he says. "There's a global vision, a sense of dynamicism and a lot more determination."

Thuringer says he knows firsthand the issues facing NDG residents. He feels strongly about improving health care and medical insurance. He also promotes the 3R's, "reduce, re-use and recycle" for a better environment.

"I think we govern too much by sondages (surveys) instead of through leadership and convi[c]tion," was his assessment [o]f provincial Liberal Party. "[W]e're not so lily-white but we hav[e] our sights to improve."

Thuringer believes the L[i]party has the interests of the el[d]erly, visible minorities and students at heart. His answer to providing low income housing was to allow these groups to pay rent according to their income.

But he didn't estimate the likelihood of these reforms taking place on a mass scale.

NDP does NDG

by Doug Simms

Concordia student Michel Descostes is doing more than just vote in this election – he is running as the New Democratic Party candidate in the NDG riding.

The third year political science student is campaigning for the needs of Concordia students. He wants a continuation of the tuition freeze and more money for anglophone universities.

"If we (NDP) come into power, we would definitely move to extend the tuition freeze, as a first step towards eliminating tuition payment altogether."

"Concordia is the most underfunded university in Canada, despite being the second or third largest university in Quebec," he said.

He also wants a metro station built at Loyola. "Students would be able to use the metro instead of cars, which would be good for the environment as well as easing the traffic problem."

Descostes believes the environment problem in NDG is an important issue.

"I'm concerned that the green spaces in NDG are diminishing all the time," he said.

Descostes looks past the borders of NDG to the status of women in the province. According to him, the government is not doing enough.

"We feel that the right to equal pay for equal work is not entrenched in the Meech Lake Accord," he said. "We intend to apply Charter 19 to force employers to give equal pay to women."

by PQ

on a meager welfare cheque.

Both Veronneau and Morin agree the "revolting" situation has only worsened.

"The downtown area is in a profound decline and the Liberals have done nothing to change that," Veronneau said.

Although Morin admitted she "hated promises", she said if the PQ elects women candidates, issues like daycare may see the light of day. But Morin is not optimistic for a win in her riding, as she is running against Liberal Harold Thuringer and popular radio talkshow host Gordon Atkinson under the moniker of the Equality party.

"I know I won't be elected," said Morin, a newcomer to the political candidacy. "But I didn't plan to run as a candidate. I planned a two-week vacation to Europe during this time."

NDP woos student vote

by Kiran Mehta

If you are a student living in the downtown area, NDP candidate for the Saint-Louis riding Katherine Parewick says she is offering more than the usual campaign promises.

Issues that directly concern students are part of her platform. She wants more public funding, an accessible financial aid program and a financial alternative to raising tuition fees.

The Liberals have publicly admitted they would raise tuition fees if re-elected. Parewick said her party would make changes to the financial aid program before raising tuition fees.

She said the decision to grant student loans should depend on students' commitment to their education, rather than on the amount of time they have spent in school.

"Students should be treated as the adults they are. They are responsible citizens and should be treated as such."

Parewick, a professor of Urban Studies at McGill, thinks much more money should be going towards public and social housing.

The NDP supports setting up rent subsidies for the poor. Parewick said, if elected,she would seek financial support from the province to help the city of Montreal build more low-cost housing.

Basic social services, such as daycare centers in the downtown area, would also be created or improved, she said.

As well as dealing with education and social issues in her platform, Parewick also focuses on public services and the economy . She supports small businesses, and cooperatives in her riding and also wants to work towards an improved public transit system.

Parewick said she isn't optimistic about her chances in this election but is in politics for the long term.

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FRINGE ARTS

Festival of Animation

by Danielle Dyson

A sign of awareness is recognizing the perspective of others and communicating one's understanding of the situation. Often a lack of communication can appear hilarious to observers. *The Festival of Animation* captures this distorted view of life.

From the tormented existance of the household pet in 'Family Dog', to the historic repercussions of a time travelling cleaning lady in ''Housekeeper', the humour of misunderstangings is presented.

The denial of personal expression is explored in the Eastern European films. These two pieces emphasize the solemnity of communication. 'Crushed World' uses the medium of paper to portray the oppression of individuals. In 'Tower of Babel', the failure of film to capture real life is explained. The main character moves through life far too fast for a photographer to capture.

Original means of communication are utilized by the animators. Toronto animator Ed Ackeman defies the limits of language with his typewriter in 'Primiti Too Taa'. Oscar-winner John Lasseter tests the set traditions between 2-D and 3-D, with his computer animation in 'Tin Toy'.

The festival combines veterans and students. Jim Terry, the festival's representative, believes this is an opportunity for making the works "accessible". For "like most art work," animators need and "want their ideas to be seen".

The two week festival opens Sept. 22 at the Rialto.

The Thing That Lurked in the Tub

Dance Festival Hype

The Dance Festival has started this week in Montreal. Promoting the phenomenon of new dance, this festival is confirming Montreal's role as an international centre of dance. Dancers from Montreal and the rest of the world will be featured. Here are some performances of special interest:

Susanne Linke, from West Germany will be performing on the 29th and the 30th. Her dancing bridges the gap between modern dance-theatre and historic German tradition.

O Vertigo Danse, from Montreal, present their ode to Chagall on the 28th. Need we say more.

Dancemakers, from Toronto, put on a wild show full of life and energy on the 20th.

On the 24th, Jocelyne Montpetit and Minoru Hideshima, will perform together for the first time uniting the two cultures of the Montreal modern scene with the Japanese butoh tradition.

Susan Marshall and Company from New York are playing on the 26th and 27th. She's a really hip chick and we think the show's worth seeing.

Angelika Oei from Holland will be dancing on the 28th and 29th. This woman combines the visual with poetry and dance. Her performance prooves to be equally fascinating and stimulating.

Kazuo Ohno from Japan will perform on the 22nd and 23rd. Together with Hijikata, Ohno founded the Japanese dance movement called butoh. A genuine talent and a show not to be missed.

Stay tuned next week for awesome reviews and more dance festival stuff!!!

Pas Si Belle Que Çà

par Cécile Kerkerian

Le film: *Trop belle pour toi.* L'histoire: celle d'un homme qui trompe sa femme avec sa secrétaire. On peut alors penser que ce n'est là qu'un point de départ du film, qu'il va s'y passer un rebondissement, une intrigue, une diversion, un "à-côté" amusant, ... enfin, n'importe quoi, mais quelque chose pour accrocher le spectateur.

Or, l'attente est longue et vaine. L'originalité du scénario tient au fait que la secrétaire est laide, grosse, vulgaire, contrairement à la femme trompée qui est belle, mince, et raffinée. Cet aspect aurait pu être intéressant ... mais là aussi, on tombe vite dans la banalité.

Cette relation un peu surprenante se justifie par le fait que la secrétaire est sexuellement compétente et laisse le héros sur la philosophique conclusion que la beauté inspire la froideur. Le spectateur, lui, arrive à une autre forme de conclusion, celle qu'il fallait partir plus tôt.

Je ne vois pas de quelle façon le film aurait pu intéresser: pas d'action, presque pas de dialogues, peu d'humour, peu d'émotion, et pour ce qui est du déchirement psychologique, c'est l'extrapolation facile.

Par contre, sur le plan technique, *Trop belle pour toi* apporte du nouveau: lorsqu'on assiste à une scène qui réunit plusieurs personnages (soit celle d'un souper), la conversation dérive rapidement vers une sorte de dialogue très intime, et chacun est reveillé aux autres de par son intérieur, sans aucune barrière.

Ce procédé a certainement de l'avenir, mais ce n'est pas dans ce film qu'on en fait bon usage. On peut penser que c'est précisément la mise au point de cette nouvelle approche qui a poussé le réalisateur à choisir un scénario un peu simpliste.

Bizzare *Last Call*

by Maya Bashour

In the next few weeks the official *Festival International de Nouvelle Danse* will be held; but around the festival a few independant shows will taking place.

Last Call consists of a group of young independant choreographers. These 15 choreographers' work will be shown in the six-day festival. They have courageously produced their own work because they have been unable to find producers and proper financing.

The more cynical among you will claim that this stuff is not worth spit. Well, you're wrong... Different, bizzare, well that's probably why no one has thought to invest. In the dance world, there is a type of catch-22... In order to be produced you need to be known. All producers want is mainstream entertainment, yuck!!

The shows featured in *Last Call* are unconventional, with titles ranging from *Les Metamorphese d'une Dandelion*, by Irene Stamou, *A Field to a Beach Journey* and *Sylvie, Jacques et Flo: Un nuit au Cameron*, both by Martha Carter. But, and this is a big 'but', they all promise to be highly innovative.

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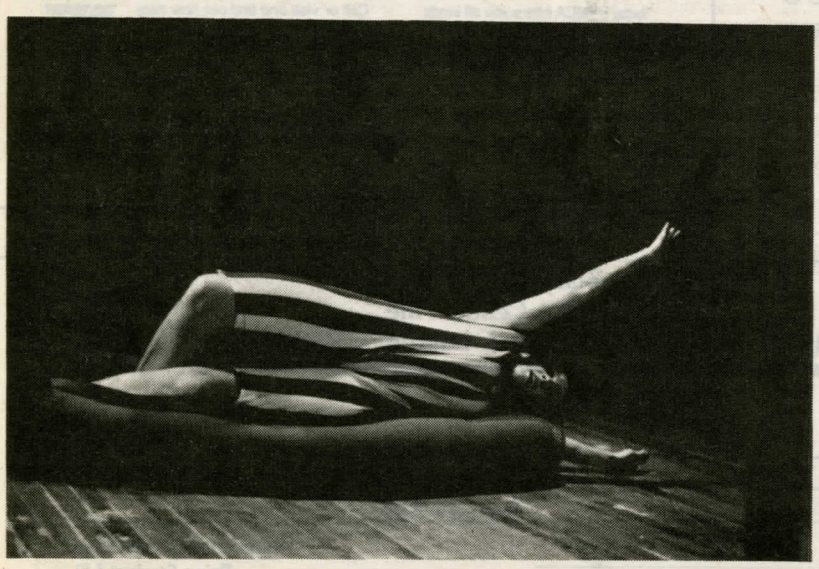

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Bare Bones -- Suzanne and Patrick play semi-accoustic R&B country. Le Tycoon, 96 Sherbrooke West. Sat., Sept., 23.

Politics Shmolitics --8 p.m. Saturday, the 23rd at Bar Secrets. An Improv comedy Troope put on by Theatre Shmeatre --a pre-election tradition.

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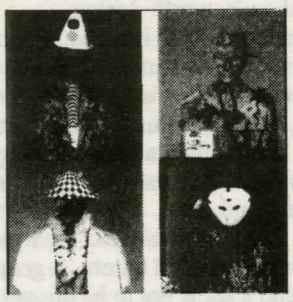

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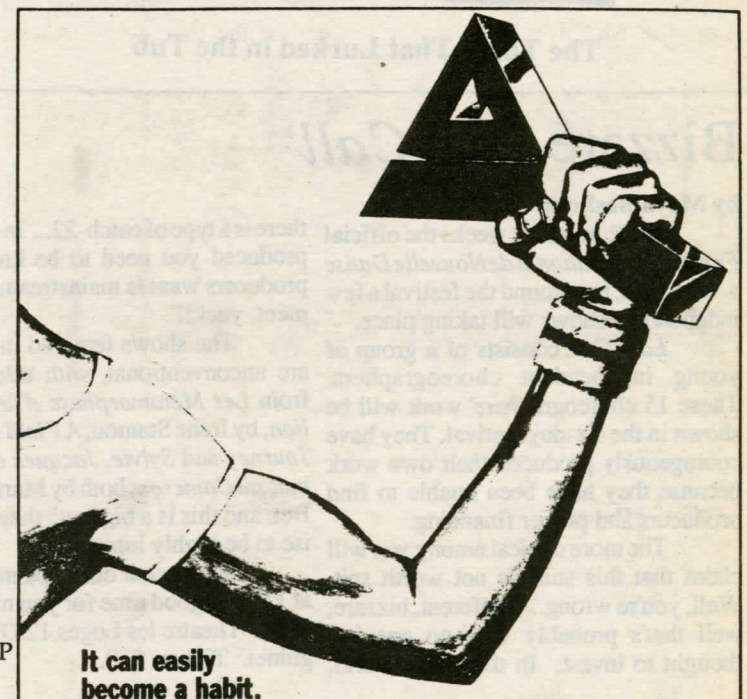

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Sports*beat*

Stingers top Redmen in Cup

by J.P. Laurin

"It was ugly, but it was two points!" said assistant coach Nick Arakgi after Concordia's 27-23 win over the McGill Redmen at Molson Stadium on Saturday.

In what may be remembered as one of the year's most exciting games, the Stingers laid claim to the Shaughnessy Cup, for only the fifth time in the past twenty years.

The Concordia squad jumped to an early 20-0 lead with great offensive and defensive play. Stephan Monette set the pace by sacking the Redmen quarterback Yanick Pedneault on the opening play. Defensive halfback Paul Keating would later recover a McGill fumble in their own end zone to open the scoring.

Jean-Francois Heroux added another major and place kicker Paul Geary hit for a pair of fieldgoals, one a blast from 47 yards out, before McGill got on the scoreboard.

With one minute left in the half, the Redmen finally challenged. After recovering a bobbled punt deep in Concordia's end, Pedneault wasted no time hitting receiver K. Lee for McGill's first major. Concordia led 20-8 at the half.

photo by Shane Mahoud

Nigel Smith takes McGill for a ride as he secures a first down and possession in the last minute of the game.

The Stingers padded their lead early in the third when quarterback Ron Aboud handed off to Nigel Smith. Smith blasted through the McGill defence, carrying a few Redmen across the goal line with him.

The game appeared to be out of reach for the Redmen. The fourth quarter however, saw them storm back with two forced turnovers, a blocked punt, two majors and a safety touch.

With four minutes to play, the Redmen were down just four points, the ball on their own forty seventh. They put together a strong drive that took them to the Concordia twelth. With 1:26 remaning, the Stinger defence called a time out to regroup.

On first and ten, Pedneault dropped back and floated a pass to the end zone. Both receiver and defender shot up, tangled and fell to the turf. Yellow flags flew. The McGill contingent roared. But the Redmen were assessed an offensive pass interference penalty and lost their second down.

Pedneault eased up to the line of scrimmage, took the snap and stepped back. Stinger linemen came hard, collapsed the pocket, and brought down Pedneault to end the game.

It might have been ugly, but when Concordia beats McGill, in the eyes of many, that's just beautiful!

photo by Shane Mahoud

Concordia's running attack left McGill flat on the carpet.

Football '89

A humourous look at the annual Concordia-McGill rivalry

by Keith Mills

How's the rivalry in '89?

Saturday afternoon I attended the 21st annual Shaughnessy Cup at Molson Stadium, determined to investigate the football rivalry between Concordia and McGill. To counter any biases I may hold, I brought along a friend, Ron, who is new to the city and knows nothing about Concordia or McGill.

We arrived at Molson Stadium about 12:30, narrowly escaping death crossing Pine Avenue (no doubt strategically placed to kill enemy fans). After passing through the entrance gates we were confronted by some unusual vendors — this wasn't your normal beer and popcorn stand. Instead, an array of "Concordia Sucks" t-shirts were on sale, evidence of a fierce rivalry. Ron was intrigued, I was suddenly becoming sick. I pulled Ron away and moved on to our seats.

Settling down, Ron asked about the fans. The sea of McGill red was easy to spot, but Concordia's burgundy was less easy to distinguish until game time approached. No doubt having to park in the McGill ghetto delayed the Concordia entourage.

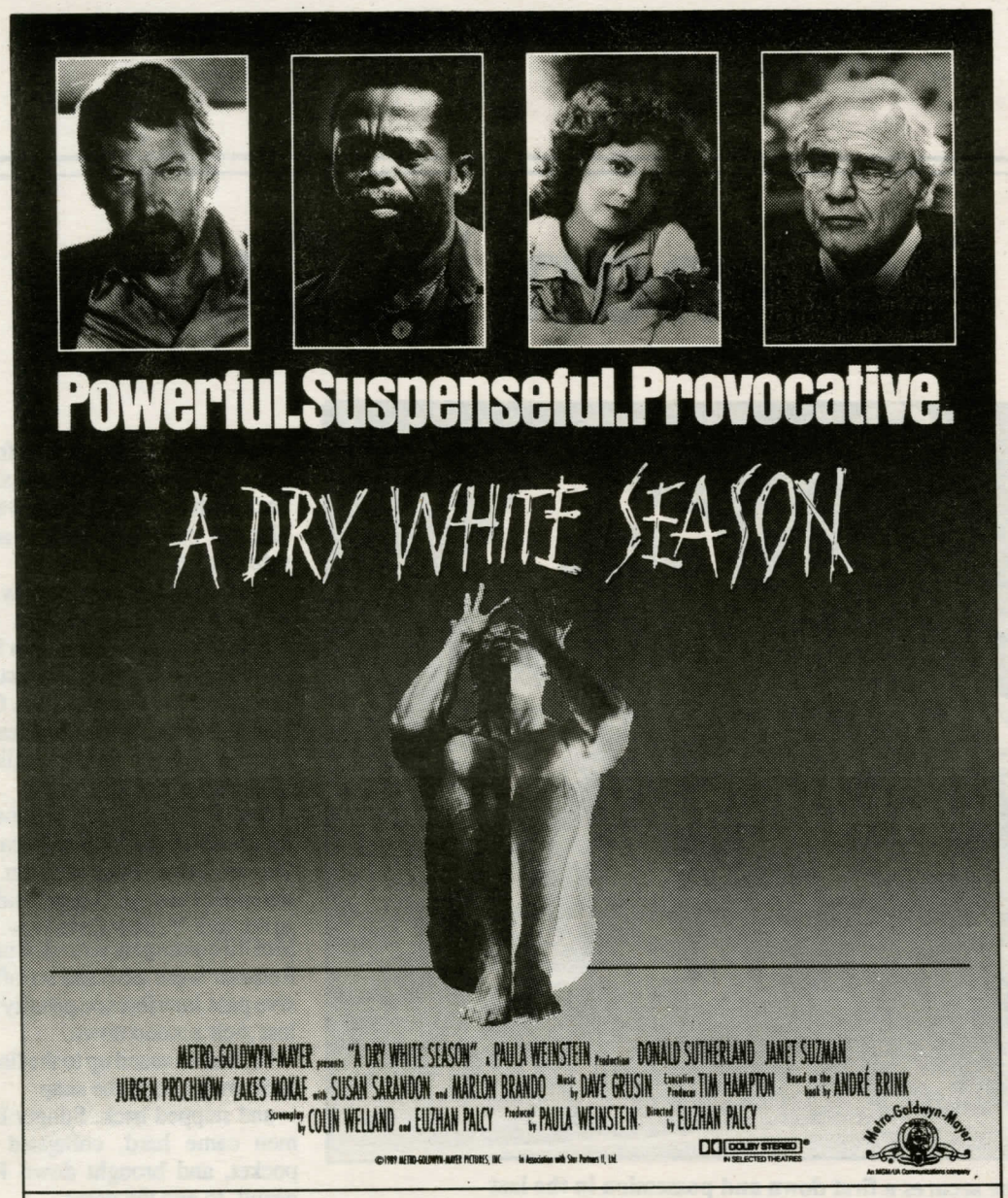
Concordia dominated the first half, allowing us to listen in to conversations around us. The usual stories popped up: stolen mascots, fraternity pranks... But the one that caught Ron's attention concerned a Shaughnessy Cup Game in the early 80's that was delayed when the balls were stolen and held for ransom.

Mid-way through the first half an usher handed me a ticket for a party that night called 'Blow Out' — an appropriate title since Concordia built up a 20-8 halftime lead.

The second half saw McGill inch closer. At this point, Ron noticed a verbal battle in the front of the stands. An unruly bunch from McGill suddenly awoke from a comatose state and started whooping it up. Not to be outdone, Concordia fans began making their own noise and their chants soon silenced the McGill rowdies.

With the game on the line in the dying seconds, the Stinger defence rose to the occasion and turned back the Redmen, no doubt aided and urged on by the strong contingent of Stinger supporters in the stands. With my binoculars in hand I sought to get a closer look at these faithful fans. Despite the war paint on many faces, they bore an uncanny resemblance to members of the hockey team.

The outcome of the game saw the Stingers come out on top 27-23. As for Ron, he loved the rivalry. He said he could feel it just sitting in the stands. It will continue September 30 at Loyola.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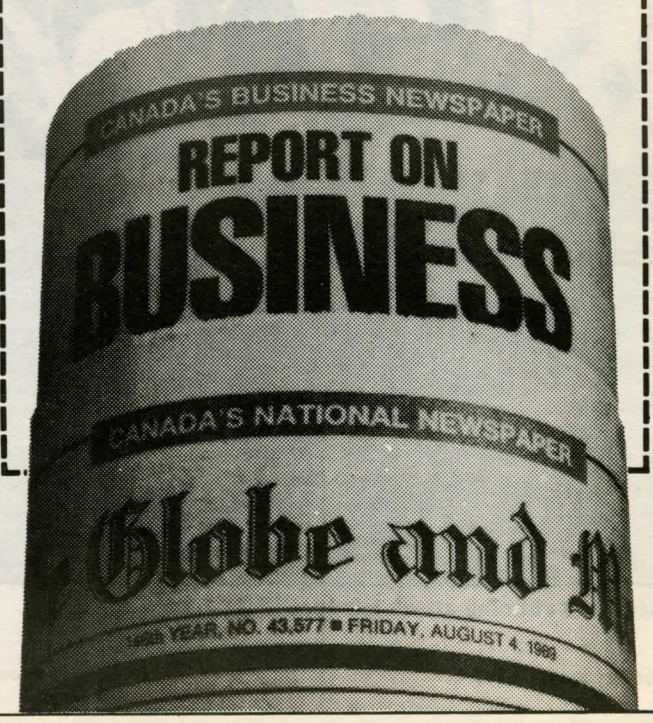

Concordia's ski team is gearing up for another fantastic year on the slopes.

Hitting the slopes

by Sarah Nicholson

The Concordia University Ski Team members have already pulled out their boards in anticipation of another rewarding year of slalom and giant slalom racing.

The team held its first meeting of the season Thursday to entice anyone who is "faster than a speeding bullet" on skis to join up.

Last year, they brought home the CAN-AM Cup which was proudly displayed at the meeting. The team attributes its past success to its enthusiasm.

"Our team spirit is just fantastic," exclaimed Roseanne Gamache, the captain. "Even other universities have commented on how great our team spirit is. We're really supportive of one another, and their are no little cliques here. I'm really going to work at keeping it that way. That's part of my job as captain."

Richard Graham, a 26-year-old graduate student, agrees with Gamache. "It's not just a ski team, it's a family. That's why this is my sixth year on the team."

Skiers are expected to do an hour and a half of dryland training at least two times a week until November. At that time everyone on the team has to pass a physical fitness test.

"I just want people to do their best," says dryland trainer Renata Scheib. "No one has to prove anything. I want people to know their limitations while working out, but not slack off. I want them to get the most out of the training sessions as they possibly can."

If they make it through dryland training and pass the fitness test, they participate in a five-day ski camp at Val St. Come. While at the camp, coaches offer instruction ranging from gate training to feedback on video tape of their performance. On the final day, 30 people will be chosen to make up the team.

The university provides services for the team but does not finance it. They raise funds with an annual ski sale.

"All of the financing for our races; the transportation, accommodations, everything, comes from the money we make at the ski sale," said Gaby Takac, in charge of finances. The team is counting on this year's sale, October 30 to November 5, to make enough money to race again this year.

Those interested in trying out for the ski team still have enough time to get involved. For more information call the Ski Team Line at 484-1774.

Upcoming games:

September 23

Women's Soccer	Sherbrooke	Home	13:00

September 24

Women's Soccer	Sherbrooke	Away	13:30
Men's Rugby	U de M	Home	13:00
Men's Soccer	UQTR	Home	13:00
Women's Rugby	McGill	Home	11:00

September 29

Women's Soccer	McGill	Home	16:00

Photo by Edmund Wong

Bishop's holding back Concordia on their way to an 18-0 victory last Sunday.
The men go up against the U. de Montréal on Sunday while the women play host to McGill.

MEETING OF THE MONTH:

What: CUSA Board Meeting.
Where: Contact CUSA.
When: Thursday, Sept. 28, 4:00 p.m.

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HANDBOOK Hits The Stands

YES, the CUSA Handbook is available and FREE of charge at **CUSA Loyola** (Campus Centre basement) and **CUSA Downtown** (Hall building, H-637). One per student. Pick up yours before they're gone!

GET INVOLVED WITH your student association!

For nomination forms or more information on the positions below, contact CUSA (Hall building room H-637) or call 848-7474.

WANTED:
V.P. Student Life
Member of Concordia Council on Student Life
(Research and develop policy on issues which affect student life)

WANTED:
5 Student Reps
on Concordia Council on Student Life
DEADLINE FRI SEPT. 29, 5 p.m.

WANTED:
3 Applicants
for Concordia Board of Governors
(1 Fine Arts seat
1 Engineering seat
1 Commerce seat)
DEADLINE TUE SEPT. 26, 5 p.m.

WANTED:
3 Applicants
for positions on University Senate
2 Fine Arts seats
1 Engineering seat
DEADLINE FRI SEPT. 29, 5 p.m.

WANTED:
Student Representatives
for Arts and Science and Fine Arts Faculty Councils
DEADLINE FRI SEPT. 29, 5 p.m.

WANTED:
Applicants
for CUSA Judicial Board
DEADLINE TUE SEPT. 26, 5 p.m.

WANTED:
Student Board Members
Concordia University Students' Association
Byelections for Board of Directors
- Engineering and Computer Science
- Commerce and Administration
- Arts and Science
- Fine Arts

WANTED:
Hiring Poll Clerks
Minimum Wage
Work Oct 18-20
DEADLINE MON OCT. 16, 5 p.m.

WANTED:
Chief Returning Officer
Receives Honorarium
Run byelection & referenda
DEADLINE MON SEPT. 25, 5 p.m.

NOMINATION PERIOD:
September 25 to October 6 at 12:00 noon

ALL-CANDIDATES MEETING:
Friday, October 6 at 2:00 p.m.

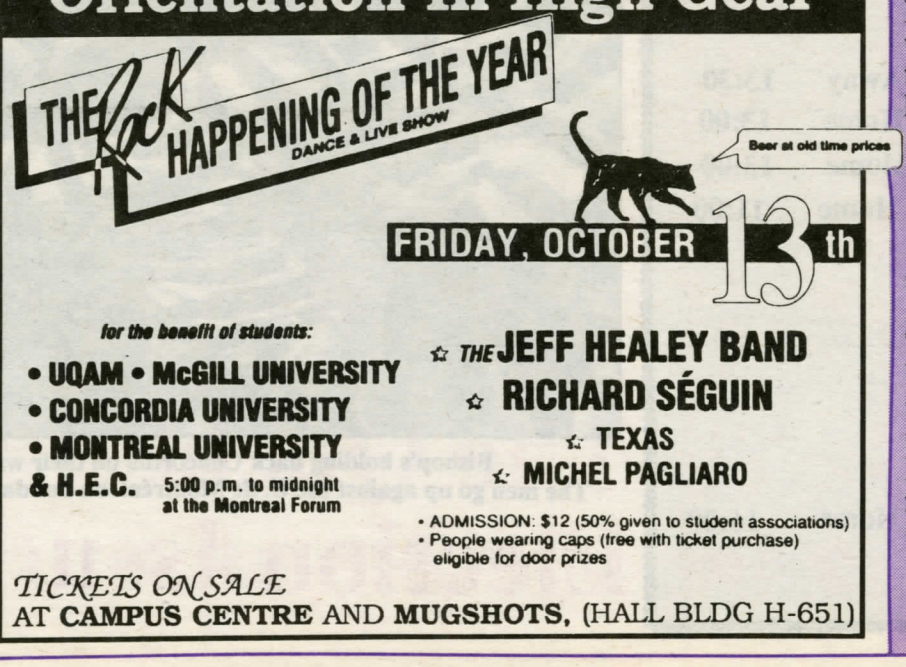
CAMPAIGN PERIOD:
From Oct. 9 (morning) to Oct. 17 (11:00 p.m.)

ELECTIONS:
October 18-October 19-October 20

REFERENDUM QUESTION: CUSA FEE INCREASE

"YES" And "NO" committees are wanted for referendum question on CUSA fee increase for exclusive use by clubs and associations. Referendum question will appear on ballot at byelection. These two committees will be responsible for presenting both sides of the fee increase question.

Orientation In High Gear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CUSA BRIEFS

Constitutional Reform

This year, in which CUSA celebrates its 10th anniversary, CUSA will be reforming its Constitution. This is the document which states why CUSA exists and how it functions.

"CUSA must address the problems which led to the separation of the ECA and CASA" CUSA Co-President Shawn O'Hara has said. "This is to be a complete revision of the CUSA Constitution. We need input from all students, in all faculties and departments."

Anyone with suggestions on reforming CUSA's Constitution can submit their proposals to CUSA, c/o Shawn O'Hara, by October 1, 1989. Also, be on the lookout for the CUSA General Assembly on the Constitution set for January, 1990.

Public Debate on Tuition Increase

Aren't you curious as to why tuition fees will be increased? If you pay more, will you be paying for higher education? More money out of your pocket: can you handle a $100 increase a year?

The government's goal, according to Mr. Ryan, is $2 500 a year. he claims that by ending the 20 year tuition freeze, their educational deficit will be mended. Is this true?

If you are interested in finding out more about university funding, and where your dollars go, come speak up on October 10, Hall building room 110. there will be panelists for and against tuition fee increases, so come hear both sides!

Tuition Public Demonstration

In addition to the debate, there will be a public demonstration held on October 18. This demonstration will start at Université de Montreal, and they will meet us at Concordia. then we will head toward McGill, and then UQAM. Once reunited, we will go to Hydro-Quebec.

Be there, if you care!

For more information, call CUSA at 848-7474.